

MINERS REVOLT AGAINST HUNGER

By Bernard Burton

UNIONTOWN, Pa., Jan. 23.—There is a revolt in the coal fields but it is not a revolt against John L. Lewis. It is a revolt against hunger. The welfare office here, center of United Mine Workers District 4, covering Fayette and Greene counties, says about 800 miners a day have been registering for relief this past week.

Maybe that number was given out to feed scare headlines to the press. But hunger has returned to the mining families. You see it on all sides in the coal fields where I have spent five days.

"You starve, anyway," miners will tell you, "so you might as well stay out altogether until you get a contract."

The hunger is the reason for the unauthorized strikes. There is no other motivation. Some other workers

65,000 Out

More than 65,000 coal miners in five states stayed out yesterday despite instructions from United Mine Workers district officials, according to a United Press survey. Indications were that the number would increase. Locals which had voted over the weekend to return, refused to enter the pits today.

John Ozanich, president of UMW Local 6321 at the Robena mine, a big U. S. steel colliery near Masontown, Pa., declared, "The situation is bad—very bad, and half our people in this region are starving now."

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might figure that if you're starving on a three-day week, well then work five days, regardless of what the union has decided.

TOO MUCH EXPERIENCE

Not the miners. They have too much experience with the most ruthless employers in the world. "If you've got no contract, you've got nothing," they tell you. And they figure the quickest way to get one is to strike.

That's why even after Districts 4 and 5, covering virtually all of the Western Pennsylvania coal fields, had instructed the locals to vote a return to work, nobody would place any bets on Saturday that the miners would be back on the job Monday.

I spoke to William Hynes, District 4 president, after a joint meeting at the VFW hall here Saturday of the District Board, local presidents and mine committees.

Hynes said the meeting had voted to recommend the men return to work. He thought the locals would vote that way, but he wasn't sure.

But then I spoke to a committeeman from the Isabella

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Mrs. Robeson, Back from Peking, Thrilled by Liberation of Chinese

By Robert Friedman

The United States is bound to recognize the new China, Mrs. Eslande Goode Robeson declared yesterday, "because you just can't ignore 450 million people and their government." Mrs. Robeson, author-lecturer and wife of Paul Robeson, returned last week from a visit to China and the Soviet Union.

Mrs. Robeson briskly disposed of the allegation by Secretary of State Dean Acheson that the Soviet Union is detaching four provinces from China. "Anybody who's been in China knows that's impossible!" she exclaimed. "Not a province, not a Chinese person will anybody be able to take over. That's just nonsense. I think Mr. Acheson ought to go to China and see for himself."

Along with Mrs. Ada B. Jackson, the Brooklyn Negro leader, Mrs. Robeson attended the meeting of the Women's International Democratic Federation in Moscow, and

then crossed Asia to China, where they visited Peking, Nanking, Shanghai, Tientsin and other areas and visited the Asia Women's Conference.

Mrs. Robeson drew the parallel between the Chinese people's liberation and the status of the Negro people in America. She asked her listeners to imagine what it would be like for "a Negro in Mississippi" to win social and political equality. "For generations now," she said, "every-one has owned China but the Chinese people—and now they own it."

There is a gaiety and a joy among the Chinese people, she said. "Every once in a while, they go out and pat the land and the buildings." She added with a smile—"not literally, figuratively." Queried about the political situation elsewhere in Asia, Mrs. Robeson declared that the Chinese think "India will have to go the way of China,"

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MRS. ROBESON

Truman Asks Tax Aid to Corporations

Special to the Daily Worker

WASHINGTON, Jan. 23.—The real beneficiaries of President Truman's tax recommendations to Congress today were the big corporations here and the Wall Street financiers, who are exporting capital to the U. S. satellites and the colonial and semi-colonial countries.

Call Parley to Return NMU to Membership

A call for a national emergency rank and file conference of members of the National Maritime Union to plan a struggle for return of the union to the membership was issued yesterday by a United Rank and File Committee representing the major opposition groups to the rule of Joe Curran.

The call for the conference, to be held in New York Sunday, Feb. 19, is signed by Jack Lawrenson, illegally ousted national vice president, and David Drummond, New York port agent. The call is also signed by six of the ousted New York patrolmen. Conference offices have been set up at 139 West 22d St.

Creation of the committee to organize the conference came as a result of an agreement reached between the Voice of the Membership Group and the Independent Caucus. Each group named five for the United Rank and File Committee.

"We propose," says the committee, "that this conference adopt a fighting program against the shipowners for more jobs, contract enforcement, defense of our rotary shipping system and union hiring halls, defense and improvement of our wages, hours, working and living conditions."

"We propose that this conference project a militant rank and file slate of candidates for the elections to clean out the corrupt Curran machine which today is destroying our union."

The NMU's members are asked to discuss and endorse the conference call, and ship crews and ports elect delegates.

"Organize to oust all shipowner stooges from office in the NMU."

Report Changes in Japanese CP

Several organizational changes by the Japanese Communist Party were announced yesterday according to a United Press dispatch from Tokyo. A statement by the party's central committee reported the appointment of a new member to the committee and reorganization of its secretariat.

The UP did not specify who was involved in the changes and said that they did not involve Sanzo Nosaka.

Nosaka had been criticized in the bulletin of the Communist Information Bureau (CIB) for his theories that Japan could advance to socialism under U. S. occupation. A three-day central committee meeting last week had criticized some of the errors of Nosaka and the party.

An authoritative editorial in the official New China News Agency bulletin was broadcast by the Peking radio last week just before the meeting of the Japanese Communist Party's central committee.

The "Communist Party of Japan is now facing a crucial phase in its

history," the NCNA editorial stated. In the situation where the Japanese people's struggle for liberation is carried out under the complicated and difficult conditions of imperialist occupation, the "vanguard of the Japanese revolutionary people, the Communist Party, must educate the people in a revolutionary spirit, unite them and make them revolutionary step by step."

This calls for Marxist-Leninist self-criticism in the Japanese Communist Party, the recognition and correction of mistakes in order to avoid all traps prepared by the imperialists and "to remove the danger of the enemy's taking the opportunity to undermine and split the Communist Party of Japan."

"Thus bravery displayed by the Communist Party of Japan in fighting the enemy has won the admiration of the Chinese people as well as the Japanese people," the editorial said, and urged the display of the same courage in accepting criticism.

"Neither a revolutionary political party of the working class nor its

Bulgarian Premier Dies

SOFIA, Bulgaria, Jan. 23.—Premier Vasil Kolarov, 72, died here today less than a week after his reelection, and the government announced a three-day period of mourning. The funeral will be held Wednesday.

Kolarov, who succeeded his life-long Communist colleague, the late Georgi Dimitrov, died after a long illness, the Party's Central Committee announced. Radio Sofia at once began to play mourning music.

Kolarov, who served with Dimitrov as Foreign Minister and Deputy Premier, was first Acting Premier at the time of Dimitrov's death last July and was elected Premier. He was renamed Premier by the new Parliament only four days ago.

The announcement of Kolarov's death said:

"The Central Committee of the Communist Party of Bulgaria and the Council of Ministers announce with deepest grief that Vasil Kolarov, the closest and most faithful comrade of Georgi Dimitrov, one of the oldest leaders of the Bulgarian Communist Party's Political Bureau and Central Committee, illustrious activist of the international working class movement and Chairman of the Council of Ministers of the People's Republic of

Wants Draft Kept

WASHINGTON, Jan. 23.—Secretary of the Army Gordon Gray today appealed to the House Armed Services Committee to approve President Truman's request for a three-year extension of the Draft Act, which is due to expire June 24.

U. S. TO ASK WITCHHUNT ON CONGO URANIUM MINERS

A crackdown on the forced laborers of the uranium mines in the Belgian Congo will be demanded by the U. S. government at a meeting of the U. S. Britain and Belgium in Washington Jan. 30. This was revealed in Brussels dispatches announcing the Washington talks. The U. S. has brought pressure on the Belgian government because of what it terms "deplorable security measures" at the Shinkolobwe mine in the Congo.

The American embassy in Brussels has several times demanded that Belgium "tighten up" its security measures at the mine. As it is the uranium miners are deprived freedom of movement. Recently the Belgian government said there were "subversive" influences among the miners and that talk

of union organization had been overheard.

In London, there were reports that Britain had demanded a share of the Belgian Congo production. But these reports could not be confirmed.

ALL ORE TO U. S.

All the ore, estimated at more than 60,000 tons since the autumn of 1944, now goes to the United States by virtue of a secret agreement among the United States, Britain, Belgium and Canada.

Britain and Belgium were reported in favor of lifting the secrecy of the pact, but the United States was said to be unyielding.

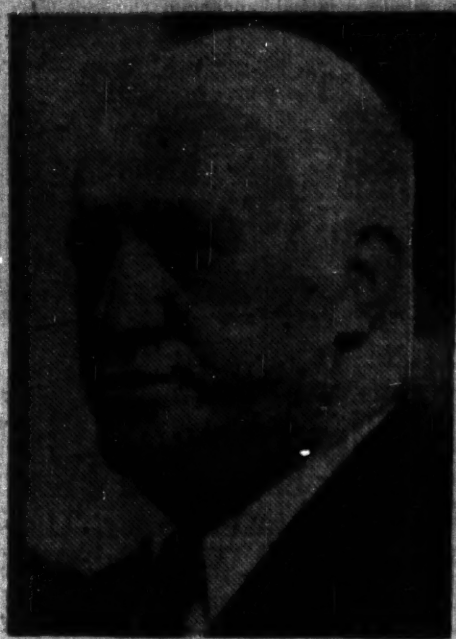
Belgium will try to negotiate an increase in the price of uranium at Washington. Uranium at present sells for between \$100 and \$300 a ton, depending on quality of the ore.

Bulgaria, died Monday at 1:45 a.m. after a long illness."

The Communist Party organ Rabotnichesko Delo said the nation had lost "a statesman with much experience and knowledge in all fields of life, with a broad outlook, and a life full of wisdom."

Kolarov, born July 18, 1877 at Shumen, Bulgaria, studied at the University of Geneva and, early in his career, met Georgi Dimitrov. The two became closely associated in the labor movement.

When Dimitrov was arrested in Germany in a frameup for the Reichstag fire in 1933, Kolarov led the fight to free him. On Sept. 9, 1944, Kolarov finally returned to Bulgaria, ending almost a quarter of a century of exile.



KOLAROV

Communists Here Cable Condolences

The National Committee of the Communist Party yesterday cabled the Bulgarian Communist Party expressing its deep sorrow over the death of Premier Vasil Kolarov. The message, signed for the committee by William Z. Foster, National Chairman, and Eugene Dennis, General Secretary, and addressed to V. Chervenkov, Secretary of the Central Committee of the Bulgarian Communist Party, declared:

"The National Committee of the Communist Party USA expresses its deep sorrow at the passing of Comrade Vasil Kolarov, Prime Minister of Bulgaria. Comrade Kolarov was the close co-worker of the great immortal George Dimitrov. He was a stern, unflinching enemy of fascism and imperialism, an unyielding battler for the cause of peace, democracy and socialism. We recognize that up to the last moment he worked for amicable relations with the American people despite the provocations of our warmongers. The working people of Bulgaria and the world have lost a valiant leader. Earlier in the day, the National Committee had received a cable signed by Chervenkov, which stated:

"Dear Comrades: With deep sorrow we inform you that on Jan. 23 at 1:45 p.m., Comrade Vasil Kolarov, Prime Minister of Bulgaria, one of the oldest leaders of our party, died after a long illness. The funeral will take place on Jan. 25."

Cuban Cops Bayonet Peace Backers

HAVANA, Jan. 23.—Police attacked a "relay for peace" which has been carrying the Cuban flag from city to city as a prelude to the Socialist Youth Congress opening Jan. 28 in Havana. As a large crowd of youth and other citizens of the village of Jiguani gathered to welcome the flagbearers and demonstrate for peace, police attacked, dispersed the gathering and arrested the organizers. Armed troops later bayoneted many of the people who crowded around the jail to demand the release of the imprisoned. Despite the attacks, the peace relay is continuing its journey throughout the island. Those arrested in Jiguani are to be tried before an illegal emergency tribunal in Santiago de Cuba.

Arrest 4 for Murder of Mao's Brother

HONG KONG, Jan. 23.—A Chinese People's Republic report said today that four former Kuomintang officials have been arrested for the seven-year-old murder of Mao Tze-tung's brother.

The slaying occurred in Sinkiang Province in 1943. The four Kuomintang officials were said to be the former deputy police chief, the head of the prison guard and two jurists.

The report said the four men had engineered the arrest and secret trial of Mao Tze-min and two other Communists. The three Communists were murdered in prison, the report said, and after that the four Kuomintang officials were rewarded by Chiang Kai-shek.

Tibet Will Be Liberated, Says Chu Teh

LONDON, Jan. 23.—Deputy chairman Chu Teh of the Chinese People's Republic has confirmed the government's determination to liberate Tibet, Radio Moscow reported today.

The broadcast, quoting a Tass News Agency dispatch from Peking, said Chu made his statement at a meeting Jan. 18 of Tibetan democrats and representatives of the intelligentsia.

The meeting condemned plots of imperialists to seize Tibet, Radio Moscow said.

The Peking radio yesterday said Chinese Liberation troops had reached the area bordering Tibet after a march of 900 miles through the Himalaya mountains.

Buffalo News Cautions on H-Bomb

BUFFALO, Jan. 23.—The United States shouldn't take "the initiative in more awful methods for human destruction," declared the conservative Buffalo Evening News, in an editorial over the weekend entitled, "Morality and the Hydrogen Bomb."

Air Force Orders 700 Jet Fighters

WASHINGTON, Jan. 23.—The Air Force has ordered almost 700 jet fighter planes in the current fiscal year, it was revealed today. President Truman disclosed in his budget message that Air Force purchases planned for fiscal 1950 total 1,250 aircraft.

The Communists and the

British Elections

By R. Palme Dutt

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Rayburn Bars House Vote on FEPC

On Strike 6 Months, They Vote 5-1 for UE

Sklar shop workers, on strike for six months, have voted overwhelmingly for Local 475, of the United Electrical, Radio and Machine Workers, rejecting the CIO's imitation

400 Detroiters At Reception For Crockett

By William Allan

DETROIT, Jan. 23.—Hundreds of citizens representing a wide cross-section of this city's labor, legal, church and political groups, gathered here Sunday to greet George W. Crockett, Jr., and his fellow attorneys.

More than 400 people heard Harry Sacher, Maurice Sugar, Abraham Isserman and Crockett relate some of the highlights of the frame-up of the 11 Communist leaders and their defense attorneys. The meeting contributed \$770 for the Crockett defense campaign. Each participant also paid \$1.50 admission to the Club Fantasia meeting.

A scroll of appreciation signed by hundreds was presented to Crockett by William Hood, recording secretary of Ford Local 600.

"COLD WAR"

Crockett said that the trial of the Communist leaders must be looked upon as part of the "cold" war aimed to direct the anger of people away from the shortcomings of American life.

He asked and answered the question, why should the Communist Party pick George Crockett as one of their defense lawyers?

"The Communist Party, greatest champion of Negro rights," he said, "doesn't have to take their hats off to anyone when it comes to fighting on that issue, and naturally would select a Negro attorney. I was highly honored that they chose me among all the many Negro attorneys of America."

Crockett emphasized the need to appeal to lawyers all over the nation as one way to fight the "contempt" sentence.

Joseph Craigen, deputy commissioner of labor for Michigan and a leading Negro Democrat who chaired the reception, urged every one present to wire U. S. Attorney General Howard McGrath, demanding the dropping of the contempt charges.

The Crockett Defense Committee is now made up of more than 200 civic leaders. It is printing the 70-page brief in defense of Crockett, written by the Detroit chapter, National Lawyers Guild and the Wolverine Bar Association, a Negro lawyers organization, which has been mailed to 7,000 lawyers and judges in Michigan.

STUDEBAKER CP TOPS 180% IN SUB DRIVE, AIMS AT 300%

The Studebaker branch of the South Bend, Ind., Communist Party topped 180 percent of its goal in The Worker sub drive and is now aiming at tripling its quota. The Studebaker branch's achievement was announced by the South Bend section of the Party, which has reached 100 percent of its quota, in a report to Eugene Dennis, secretary of the Party's National Press Committee.

The Leiber (auto) and steel branches of the Party in Chicago have joined the growing list of

International Union of Electrical, Radio and Machine Workers. The vote was a National Labor Board election.

The UE received 155 votes as against 29 for the IUE with two votes challenged in last Friday's balloting.

The Sklar plant at Woodside has been organized by the UE for the past eight years. After months of stalling by the company, the union was forced to strike last Aug. 11. Main demands are for improved grievance procedure and stronger seniority provisions, additional holidays and a wage increase.

The company has been aided in the strike by raiding forays of the the independent International Association of Machinists which the workers unanimously rejected. Rejection of the IAM was climaxed with a demonstration of the striking workers in front of the IAM headquarters in which they made it clear that they were going to stick by the UE.

The next attempted raid was made by the AFL Teamsters but they also got their dismissal notice.

When it appeared that the employer was ready to negotiate, James B. Carey's IUE showed up and tried to disrupt the unity of the strikers. The UE immediately petitioned for an NLRB election. The workers have now given their decisive answer.

Noted Lawyers File Brief for '11' Counsel

A distinguished battery of lawyers is defending the six attorneys sentenced for contempt by Judge Harold Medina in the notorious Foley Square frameup, it was learned yesterday.

The appeals brief in behalf of the six attorneys was filed in Federal Court yesterday. The appeal will be signed Feb. 6.

Representing the six attorneys were Paul L. Ross and Bernard Jaffe of New York, Earl B. Dickerson of Chicago, Charles J. Katz and Robert W. Kenny of Los Angeles, Patrick J. O'Brien of Detroit, Joseph Forer of Washington,

Pay Up, Prices Down In Hungary

BUDAPEST, Jan. 23 (ALN).—While wages have risen in Hungary, the cost-of-living index dropped 7.4 percent in 1949. The biggest drop, 12.4 percent was in the price of food, including pork, beef, bacon, potatoes, cooking fats, butter, milk and fruits. There were also big drops in the cost of living and other necessities.

those doubling their quotas. Five New York City Party sections and one upstate have doubled their quotas. They are: Bath Beach-Bensonhurst, Brighton Beach, Food Workers, Bakers, Kings Highway and Utica. Staten Island and Midwood Party sections have increased their quotas to 150 percent.

The National Press Committee of the Communist Party announced that a nationwide Worker subscription mobilization has been called for next Sunday.

By Rob F. Hall

WASHINGTON, Jan. 23.—House Speaker Sam Rayburn (D-Tex) barred consideration of the Powell FEPC bill by the House today. Although Chairman John Lesinski (D-Mich) of the House Labor Committee was on the floor shouting for recognition in order to call up the civil rights measure, the burly Speaker completely ignored him. Instead, he gave the nod to chairman Hardin Peterson (D-Fla) of the Public Lands Committee, who called up bills granting statehood to Alaska and Hawaii.

Rayburn told newsmen after a White House conference that President Truman had given him no instructions to bring up FEPC today.

At close to 5 o'clock the House, despite the Dixiecrat filibuster, had succeeded in voting on a rule for both the Alaskan and Hawaiian bills.

Chairman John Lesinski again took the floor and shouted for recognition.

Speaker Rayburn stared through Lesinski and recognized Rep. John McCormack (D-Mass) House Majority leader.

McCormack moved to adjourn the House.

Immediately Marcantonio was on his feet. "A vote to adjourn is a vote against FEPC," the New York Laborite asserted. He demanded a record vote on the motion. Rayburn denied this, but was forced to grant a teller vote with Marcantonio as one of the tellers.

McCormack's adjournment motion was carried by slightly more than 140 to 109.

The House then adjourned.

Rep. Vito Marcantonio (ALP-NY) expressed sharp resentment at Rayburn's action in prohibiting House consideration of FEPC.

"I support your two bills," Marcantonio told Peterson on the floor, "but your calling them up today, blocking FEPC, has hurt their chances. You could have called

them up Jan. 9. It is a strange coincidence that you demanded action on them now, the day FEPC was scheduled."

"Of course," Marcantonio pointed out, "the chairman could have exercised his discretion and recognized Mr. Lesinski."

DIXIECRATS HAPPY

Dixiecrat opponents of FEPC made the most of Rayburn's generous support for their cause. From the moment the House convened at noon they carried on a House version of a filibuster to prolong debate on the Alaskan Bill and block consideration of the Hawaiian Bill. This was due not only to their opposition to Hawaiian statehood but also because in this manner they could postpone its consideration into the second Monday of February.

The 21-day rule, under which friends of FEPC are trying to get their bill before the House, applies only on the second and fourth Mondays of each month. The Dixiecrat filibuster therefore was aimed at creating such a backlog of bills due for consideration under the 21-day rule that FEPC's floor by this route would be virtually nil.

The Dixiecrat technique was to insist on repeated roll calls on the claim that a quorum was not present in the chamber. Rep. John Rankin (D-Miss) made one weird point of order that the clocks in the chamber were not in agreement. Record votes were demanded on the most routine questions.

Rayburn was apparently co-

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Report State to Probe Naming Of Secor as Cop

The State Civil Service Commission is reported to be readying an investigation of the appointment to a Westchester police post of William E. Secor, one of the vigilantes who ambushed the first Robeson concert near Peekskill last August. A report that the state authorities will conduct the probe was broadcast over the weekend by the Peekskill radio.

Secor, the American Civil Liberties Union reported, was stabbed "while assisting in the commission of a crime." An effort was made to frame a Negro concert-goer. But, according to the ACLU investigators, Secor's father knows who did the stabbing. Concert-goers are certain it was one of Secor's own gang.

Secor was recently appointed to the police department of Yorkville Heights, near Peekskill. The Westchester Committee for a Fair Enquiry into the Peekskill Violence sent a protesting delegation to the town authorities. They also notified Albany.

Sees Pipe Smoking Causing Lip Cancer

CHICAGO, Jan. 23 (UP).—A cancer researcher said today pipe smoking was a "causative factor" in at least 40 percent of 363 cases of cancer of the lip he studied.

In an article appearing in the American Journal of Roentgenology and Radium Therapy, Dr. Bernard P. Widmann of Philadelphia said "pipe smoking is a predominant possible etiologic factor."

He reported that "the curability rate for cancer of the lip in 259 adequately treated patients was 83 percent." He said the incidence of the disease in persons under 40 years of age was low.

Of the 363 cases of cancer of lip only four were women, he said.

Memo to the Reader

By ALAN MAX
Managing Editor

Another story from Bensonhurst-Bath Beach, where they've decided to double their quota of Worker subs:

Hyman Winters, city-wide sub champ so far, had exhausted his list of possible subscribers and picked out a house at Random. A woman, an Italian-American, answered his ring and said:

"Please, mister, I can't talk to you about a newspaper or anything. My husband is at work, my two children are sick in bed and I can't even leave the house to go shopping for food."

"Can't go shopping for food?" said Winters. "What do you need?"

The woman gave our champ a list of things—bread, milk, Italian cheese and so on—and off he went. When he returned with the packages and she had paid him for what he laid out, the woman said:

"Please come back tonight when my husband is home."

That night the family subscribed to The Worker and to the Italian-American weekly L'Unita del Popolo. But it didn't end there. They phoned the woman's brother-in-law and told him they were sending Winters over to see him. He also bought subscriptions to the two papers.

Today's POINT of ORDER

If those Boston bank robbers would send an anonymous letter to the papers saying they were going to use the money to fight Communism, the police-hunt would probably be called off and they'd be given another couple of million.

Tomorrow:
The Miners' Struggle
By John Williamson

Jobless 'Distress Areas' Being Named in N. Y. State

By Michael Singer

ALBANY, Jan. 24.—State officials today admitted that unemployment has reached such proportions that "distress" areas are being officially designated. Confirmation of widespread joblessness came from the Division of Claims Bureau of the State Unemployment Insurance hearing tomorrow in the Senate chamber.

The committee is headed by Syracuse Republican Sen. John H. Hughes.

Sen. Hughes told this reporter today, "we're only continuing hearings held last December in New York City." But Hughes will find that the 25 scheduled speakers representing trade unions and progressive political spokesmen have no intention of holding a hearing just for the "record."

Thus far 20 Senate bills and 25 Assembly measures have been introduced proposing adjustments, from extension of the present 26 week period and inclusion of domestic and civil service workers, to increasing the maximum benefits.

RISE IN EXHAUSTIONS

One of the most critical aspects of the unemployment problem is the exhaustion of benefit claims, which up to Jan. 13 of this year reached 94,355 compared with 48,694 on Jan. 14, 1949.

The "distress area" reported by the Unemployment Insurance Division is the Rome-Utica district, where 10,590 workers applied for jobless aid during the week ended Dec. 23, 1949.

"We can expect more such areas filed in our distress section," our informant said.

A delegation of United Electrical union leaders from Schenectady appeared at the legislative sessions tonight and sought conferences with legislative leaders.

The American Labor Party will demand at the hearing tomorrow 52 weeks of payments, increased benefits to \$35 a week plus a \$3 weekly additional payment for each dependent up to two dependents; extension of coverage to employers of 1 or more instead of 4 or more as at present; repeal of the "merit rating" law and use of this money to increase benefits, and repeal of the seven-week penalty waiting period for workers on strike.

Cross-Examine Cop at Trial Of His Victim

The frame-up trial of James Lee Taylor, shot by Harlem killer cop Abraham Yudenfreund, began yesterday morning at General Sessions Part III. The jury was impaneled last Wednesday. Taylor, if convicted, faces a sentence up to 10 years in the state penitentiary. He is charged with felonious assault against the cop who shot him.

The policeman, cross-examined yesterday by defense attorney Emanuel Bloch of the Civil Rights Congress, admitted he had been a close friend of Edward Matuna, proprietor of the bar at 1408 Fifth Ave., near 115th St., from which he rushed on the night of June 12 to kill Taylor's cousin, R. D. Brown, and to wound Taylor.

He told the jury that he heard half a dozen people shouting, "He's got a gun, watch out." But under cross-examination he said no one was on the corner when he first saw Brown. And he admitted that he had at no time seen a gun, and that none had been found on either Brown or Taylor. The trial continues at 10:45 a.m. today.

Hollywood, a column of film news and comment by David Platt appears daily, except Tuesday, in the Daily Worker.

Consumers Hit Interim Increase in Gas Rates

Consumer spokesman yesterday challenged rulings in favor of an interim increase in Consolidated Edison Co. gas rates, at a hearing before a Public Service Commission examiner.

The consumers demanded that Con-Edison produce data showing the savings that will result when the firm piping natural gas to its customers within a few months. Spokesmen for Con-Edison claimed this data was not relevant, saying the dates were not certain as to when this operation would begin and accurate data are unavailable. While the examiner ruled in favor of Con-Edison, the matter was referred to the full commission and the hearing adjourned to Feb. 3. Among the organizations represented at the hearing were the American Labor Party, the Liberal Party and the Civic Organizations of Queens.

Call ILGWU Local 9

Rank and File Parley

The Rank and File Committee of Local 9, of the International Ladies Garment Workers Union, appealed to all local members yesterday to attend a nominations meeting tomorrow (Wednesday), at Hotel Diplomat, after work.

Water Supply Cut for Third Straight Day

The city's water supply dropped for the third straight day yesterday, losing 9,000,000 gallons from its reservoirs.

Bronx ALP Asks Army Reinstate Leon Straus

"Restoration of Leon Straus' commission in the United States Army and the Officers Reserve Corps was demanded yesterday in a letter to President Truman by the Administrative Committee of the Bronx County American Labor Party.

Straus, executive secretary of the CIO Joint Board of Fur Dressers and Dyers, was recently summarily discharged as second lieutenant in the Army Infantry Reserve.

"That such a step has been taken without notification of any charges, without trial or courts martial," said Joseph Cadden, executive secretary of the Bronx ALP, "is a shocking reflection on your administration. Even more shocking is the rumor that this action was taken because of Leon Straus' activities at Peekskill where he served with distinction in upholding Constitutional rights by helping to guarantee to Paul Robeson his American right to sing, and to thousands of American citizens their right to hear this noted Negro artist."

Cut Relief Food Allotment 40% In Cincinnati

CINCINNATI, Jan. 23.—County city Relief Director, Frederick Breyer announced 40 percent cuts in food allowances for relief clients.

The Welfare Department will not provide funds for rent, utilities, clothing or medicine.

Breyer cited the case of a family of two adults and two children which will have its monthly allotment cut from \$109 to \$37.86.

Reuther Cuts Demands on Chrysler

DETROIT, Jan. 23.—UAW president Walter Reuther today presented alternative contract demands to the Chrysler Co., running counter to the position taken last night by 17 out of 19 presidents of Chrysler locals.

Reuther's alternatives were: a six-cent increase for pensions and four cents for insurance; any other 10-cent increase combination of pensions, insurance or raises; a straight 10-cent wage raise.

Yesterday's meeting of local presidents demanded a clear-cut alternative between an 11½ cents an hour wage increase and a pension plan far better than the one established through Reuther's intervention at Ford's.

The 17 presidents who opposed Reuther last night insisted the two alternatives be presented in such a way that the workers might vote on which of the two they preferred.

Reuther got the union's executive board this morning to okay his demands, which represent some concession to the workers in that they include a wage increase alternative at all, though Reuther makes this the last one.

Shop stewards from Chrysler plants all over the city are set to meet tonight to express themselves on the Reuther demands.

LAWYERS CALL PARLEY

Defense of civil rights of religious, political and racial minorities will be the main theme of the 1950 Annual Conference on State Legislation to be held Friday evening by the New York Chapter of the National Lawyers Guild, at the

Willkie Memorial Auditorium, 20 W. 40 St. Speakers include Wynn Perry, formerly of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People; Judge Dudley Sicher, of the Domestic Relations Court, and State Sen. Fred C. Morris.

LANDLORDS' SUIT SNAGGED

Federal Judge Simon Rifkind yesterday refused to grant landlords a temporary injunction halting operation of the Sharkey Rent Control Law, or to convene a special three-judge statutory court to judge the law's constitutionality.

However, he authorized landlords to file a new suit against the law and ordered city officials to answer this complaint within 10 days.

Stalin Confers With Chou En-Lai

MOSCOW, Jan. 23.—Premier Joseph Stalin received Chinese Premier and Foreign Minister Chou En-Lai last night at the Kremlin, the Soviet Tass News Agency announced today.

Soviet Foreign Minister Andrei Vishinsky and Chinese People's Republic Ambassador Wang Chia-hsiang also were present, Tass said.

Passaic Textile Workers Vote Strike

PASSAIC, Jan. 23.—Six thousand textile workers here at the Forstman and Botany plants voted over the weekend to go out on strike if their demands for improved conditions were not met. The workers are members of the CIO Textile Workers Union. No date was set for the strike.

Forstman workers are asking for half hour paid lunches. Employees in both shops are demanding severance pay for laid off workers and Blue Cross hospital plan benefits for workers and their families.

Steel Prices Up 55.2 Percent Since 1939

WASHINGTON, Jan. 23 (UP).—Finished steel prices have increased 55.2 percent since 1939 despite a drop in the cost of many steel-making materials, a report issued by the Joint Congressional Economic Committee said today.

The report was prepared by the legislative reference service of the Library of Congress. It was released by the committee as "basic data" for its hearings which open tomorrow on the recent \$4-a-ton steel price increase. The first witness will be Benjamin Fairless, president of U.S. Steel Corp.

To Sue 'Dream Car' Man for \$30,000,000

CHICAGO, Jan. 23 (UP).—Preston Tucker said today he hopes to reorganize his dream-car firm, but a lawyer predicted the Tucker Corp. first must prepare to meet \$30,000,000 in claims.

Tucker said he was ready for another try at building a radical rear-engine car following his acquittal yesterday, along with seven associates, on mail fraud and conspiracy charges.

But Norman Nachman, attorney for Tucker trustees John Chatz and Aaron Colton, announced he will start civil court proceedings against Tucker in an effort to obtain funds to meet claims of stockholders, dealers, creditors and distributors.

Another Truman Promise Broken?

WASHINGTON, Jan. 23 (UP).—Secretary of the Navy Francis P. Matthews admitted today that Adm. Louis E. Denfeld, ousted Chief of Naval Operations, holds a signed Presidential commission appointing him for two more years, but claimed it got to Denfeld "irregularly."

In a letter to chairman Millard E. Tydings (D-Md), of the Senate Armed Services Committee, he asserted that the commission doesn't count because it was never formally "issued" to the Admiral.

Steel Local Chooses Negro for Parley

BETHLEHEM, Pa., Jan. 23.—At the last meeting of CIO Steel Local 2599, several members demanded that a Negro member represent them at the civil rights conference of their union in Philadelphia, Feb. 19. The president of the local had proposed that two officers represent the local at the conference. Members pointed out this would mean an all-white delegation. As a result a Negro delegate was elected as one of the two, with a Negro alternate designated.

Spy? Perish the Word!

The United Press, in a dispatch from Washington, revealed the real reason behind the State Department's unhappiness about the arrest of Robert Vogeler in Hungary. UP reported that Washington circles believed the people's democracies were "deliberately harassing American officials and businessmen . . . in hopes of forcing them out. That would deprive this country of valuable 'listening posts'."

McCloy Tries To Get Off Spot

BERLIN, Jan. 23.—The awkward situation the American authorities got into, when they seized the State Railway Administration building in the U. S. sector of this city and then had to return it quickly to the Soviets, has led to a flurry of U.S.-inspired reports about Soviet interference with U. S. freight shipments.

John J. McCloy, U. S. high commissioner, today helped these reports along with a statement to reports that U. S. officials always have the "thought" in the back of their minds that they could revive the Berlin airlift.

Ask Congressmen's Stand on Franco

The Joint Anti-Fascist Refugee Committee yesterday called on all members of Congress to express their views on U. S. policy towards Spain, it was announced by Dr. Edward K. Barsky, national chairman.

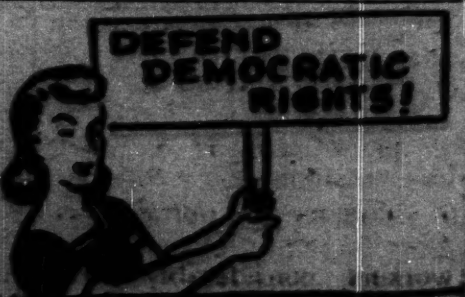
Barsky emphasized the importance of this Thursday night's Roll-Call-for-Peace meeting at Manhattan Center which will protest Acheson's pro-Franco statement.

Press Roundup, a summary of editorial comment in the metropolitan press, appears each day in the Daily Worker.

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Rayburn Bars House Vote on FEPC

On Strike 6 Months, They Vote 5-1 for UE

Sklar shop workers, on strike for six months, have voted overwhelmingly for Local 475, of the United Electrical, Radio and Machine Workers, rejecting the CIO's imitation

400 Detroiters At Reception For Crockett

By William Allan

DETROIT, Jan. 23.—Hundreds of citizens representing a wide cross-section of this city's labor, legal, church and political groups, gathered here Sunday to greet George W. Crockett, Jr., and his fellow attorneys.

More than 400 people heard Harry Sacher, Maurice Sugar, Abraham Isserman and Crockett relate some of the highlights of the frame-up of the 11 Communist leaders and their defense attorneys. The meeting contributed \$770 for the Crockett defense campaign. Each participant also paid \$1.50 admission to the Club Fantasia meeting.

A scroll of appreciation signed by hundreds was presented to Crockett by William Hood, recording secretary of Ford Local 600.

"COLD WAR"

Crockett said that the trial of the Communist leaders must be looked upon as part of the "cold" war aimed to direct the anger of people away from the shortcomings of American life.

He asked and answered the question, why should the Communist Party pick George Crockett as one of their defense lawyers?

"The Communist Party, greatest champion of Negro rights," he said, "doesn't have to take their hats off to anyone when it comes to fighting on that issue, and naturally would select a Negro attorney. I was highly honored that they chose me among all the many Negro attorneys of America."

Crockett emphasized the need to appeal to lawyers all over the nation as one way to fight the "contempt" sentence.

Joseph Craigen, deputy commissioner of labor for Michigan and a leading Negro Democrat who chaired the reception, urged every one present to wire U. S. Attorney General Howard McGrath, demanding the dropping of the contempt charges.

The Crockett Defense Committee is now made up of more than 200 civic leaders. It is printing the 70-page brief in defense of Crockett, written by the Detroit chapter, National Lawyers Guild and the Wolverine Bar Association, a Negro lawyers organization, which has been mailed to 7,000 lawyers and judges in Michigan.

STUDEBAKER CP TOPS 180% IN SUB DRIVE, AIMS AT 300%

The Studebaker branch of the South Bend, Ind., Communist Party topped 180 percent of its goal in The Worker sub drive and is now aiming at tripling its quota. The Studebaker branch achievement was announced by the South Bend section of the Party, which has reached 100 percent of its quota, in a report to Eugene Dennis, secretary of the Party's National Press Committee.

The Leiber (auto) and steel branches of the Party in Chicago have joined the growing list of

International Union of Electrical, Radio and Machine Workers. The vote was a National Labor Board election.

The UE received 155 votes as against 29 for the IUE with two votes challenged in last Friday's balloting.

The Sklar plant at Woodside has been organized by the UE for the past eight years. After months of stalling by the company, the union was forced to strike last Aug. 11. Main demands are for improved grievance procedure and stronger seniority provisions, additional holidays and a wage increase.

The company has been aided in the strike by raiding forays of the the independent International Association of Machinists which the workers unanimously rejected. Rejection of the IAM was climaxed with a demonstration of the striking workers in front of the IAM headquarters in which they made it clear that they were going to stick by the UE.

The next attempted raid was made by the AFL Teamsters but they also got their dismissal notice.

When it appeared that the employer was ready to negotiate, James B. Carey's IUE showed up and tried to disrupt the unity of the strikers. The UE immediately petitioned for an NLRB election. The workers have now given their decisive answer.

Noted Lawyers File Brief for '11' Counsel

A distinguished battery of lawyers is defending the six attorneys sentenced for contempt by Judge Harold Medina in the notorious Foley Square frameup, it was learned yesterday. The appeals brief in behalf of the six attorneys was filed in Federal Court yesterday. The appeal will be signed Feb. 6.

Representing the six attorneys were Paul L. Ross and Bernard Jaffe of New York, Earl B. Dickerson of Chicago, Charles J. Katz and Robert W. Kenny of Los Angeles, Patrick J. O'Brien of Detroit, Joseph Forer of Washington,

Pay Up, Prices Down In Hungary

BUDAPEST, Jan. 23 (ALN).—While wages have risen in Hungary, the cost-of-living index dropped 7.4 percent in 1949. The biggest drop, 12.4 percent was in the price of food, including pork, beef, bacon, potatoes, cooking fats, butter, milk and fruits. There were also big drops in the cost of living and other necessities.

those doubling their quotas. Five New York City Party sections and one upstate have doubled their quotas. They are: Bath Beach, Bensonhurst, Brighton Beach, Food Workers, Bakers, Kings Highway and Utica. Staten Island and Midwood Party sections have increased their quotas to 150 percent.

The National Press Committee of the Communist Party announced that a nationwide Worker subscription mobilization has been called for next Sunday.

By Rob F. Hall

WASHINGTON, Jan. 23.—House Speaker Sam Rayburn (D-Tex) barred consideration of the Powell FEPC bill by the House today. Although Chairman John Lesinski (D-Mich) of the House Labor Committee was on the floor shouting for recognition in order

to call up the civil rights measure, the burly Speaker completely ignored him. Instead, he gave the nod to chairman Hardin Peterson (D-Fla) of the Public Lands Committee, who called up bills granting statehood to Alaska and Hawaii.

Rayburn told newsmen after a White House conference that President Truman had given him no instructions to bring up FEPC today.

At close to 5 o'clock the House, despite the Dixiecrat filibuster, had succeeded in voting on a rule for both the Alaskan and Hawaiian bills.

Chairman John Lesinski again took the floor and shouted for recognition.

Speaker Rayburn stared through Lesinski and recognized Rep. John McCormack (D-Mass) House Majority leader.

McCormack moved to adjourn the House.

Immediately Marcantonio was on his feet. "A vote to adjourn is a vote against FEPC," the New York Laborite asserted. He demanded a record vote on the motion. Rayburn denied this, but was forced to grant a teller vote with Marcantonio as one of the tellers.

McCormack's adjournment motion was carried by slightly more than 140 to 109.

The House then adjourned.

Rep. Vito Marcantonio (ALP-NY) expressed sharp resentment at Rayburn's action in prohibiting House consideration of FEPC.

"I support your two bills," Marcantonio told Peterson on the floor, "but your calling them up today, blocking FEPC, has hurt their chances. You could have called

them up Jan. 9. It is a strange coincidence that you demanded action on them now, the day FEPC was scheduled."

"Of course," Marcantonio pointed out, "the chairman could have exercised his discretion and recognized Mr. Lesinski."

DIXIECRATS HAPPY

Dixiecrat opponents of FEPC made the most of Rayburn's generous support for their cause. From the moment the House convened at noon they carried on a House version of a filibuster to prolong debate on the Alaskan Bill and block consideration of the Hawaiian Bill. This was due not only to their opposition to Hawaiian statehood but also because in this manner they could postpone its consideration into the second Monday of February.

The 21-day rule under which friends of FEPC are trying to get their bill before the House, applies only on the second and fourth Mondays of each month. The Dixiecrat filibuster therefore was aimed at creating such a backlog of bills due for consideration under the 21-day rule that FEPC's floor by this route would be virtually nil.

The Dixiecrat technique was to insist on repeated roll calls on the claim that a quorum was not present in the chamber. Rep. John Rankin (D-Miss) made one weird point of order that the clocks in the chamber were not in agreement. Record votes were demanded on the most routine questions.

Rayburn was apparently co-

(Continued on Page 9)

Report State to Probe Namina Of Secor as Cop

The State Civil Service Commission is reported to be readying an investigation of the appointment to a Westchester police post of William E. Secor, one of the vigilantes who ambushed the first Robeson concert near Peekskill last August. A report that the state authorities will conduct the probe was broadcast over the weekend by the Peekskill radio.

Secor, the American Civil Liberties Union reported, was stabbed "while assisting in the commission of a crime." An effort was made to frame a Negro concert-goer. But, according to the ACLU investigators, Secor's father knows who did the stabbing. Concert-goers are certain it was one of Secor's own gang.

Secor was recently appointed to the police department of Yorkville Heights, near Peekskill. The Westchester Committee for a Fair Enquiry into the Peekskill Violence sent a protesting delegation to the town authorities. They also notified Albany.

Sees Pipe Smoking Causing Lip Cancer

CHICAGO, Jan. 23 (UP).—A cancer researcher said today pipe smoking was a "causative factor" in at least 40 percent of 363 cases of cancer of the lip he studied.

In an article appearing in the American Journal of Roentgenology and Radium Therapy, Dr. Bernard P. Widmann of Philadelphia said "pipe smoking is a predominant possible etiologic factor."

He reported that "the curability rate for cancer of the lip in 259 adequately treated patients was 83 percent." He said the incidence of the disease in persons under 40 years of age was low.

Of the 363 cases of cancer of lip only four were women, he said.

Memo to the Reader

By ALAN MAX
Managing Editor

Another story from Bensonhurst-Bath Beach, where they've decided to double their quota of Worker subs:

Hyman Winters, city-wide sub champ so far, had exhausted his list of possible subscribers and picked out a house at Random. A woman, an Italian-American, answered his ring and said:

"Please, mister, I can't talk to you about a newspaper or anything. My husband is at work, my two children are sick in bed and I can't even leave the house to go shopping for food."

"Can't go shopping for food?" said Winters. "What do you need?"

The woman gave our champ a list of things—bread, milk, Italian cheese and so on—and off he went. When he returned with the packages and she had paid him for what he laid out, the woman said:

"Please come back tonight when my husband is home."

That night the family subscribed to The Worker and to the Italian-American weekly L'Unita del Popolo. But it didn't end there. They phoned the woman's brother-in-law and told him they were sending Winters over to see him. He also bought subscriptions to the two papers.

Today's POINT of ORDER

If those Boston bank robbers would send an anonymous letter to the papers saying they were going to use the money to fight Communism, the police-hunt would probably be called off and they'd be given another couple of million.

Tomorrow:

The Miners' Struggle

By John Williamson

Lawyers Flay 'Contempt' Citations on 11's Counsel

By William Allan

DETROIT, Jan. 23.—The contempt citations against the attorneys who defended the 11 Communist leaders in the Foley Square trial, said Clifford Durr, president of the National Lawyers Guild, is another step moving away from government by law to government by fear. Durr spoke before 268 members of the Michigan legal profession, including several judges. A standing ovation was given at the reception to George Crockett, Jr., Negro attorney from Detroit, who defended Carl Winter, Michigan State Communist Chairman.

Harry Sacher and Abraham Isserman, colleagues of Crockett, described phases of Judge Medina's conduct at the trial.

THOUGHT CONTROL

The contempt citation is part of a pattern aimed at control of thinking, said Durr.

Durr asked, "What does it mean for members of the American Bar, when attorneys are cited for contempt, without a hearing, no facts presented to prove the 'contempt'?" He answered by saying that if the members of the Bar allow the rights of lawyers to be endangered then all basic constitutional rights will go by default.

"I believe that if the American people get a chance to see the issues they will react and demand the dropping of the 'contempt' citation."

The defense of freedom of speech, freedom of press, he said, is protection of an avenue leading to the future. If these avenues are kept open the world will move towards a new future. Scientific techniques can be used to provide plenty for all.

OVATION FOR CROCKETT

Crockett received a rising ovation from the audience.

"My militancy comes from the courage of the working class here in Detroit and I pay first tribute to them," Crockett said.

He then thanked the members of the legal profession here for their support. He praised the united work of the Wolverine Bar Association, composed of Negro lawyers, with the Detroit chapter of the National Lawyers Guild, in preparing an analysis in his defense.

Among those present were the president of the Chicago Lawyers Guild, Earl Dickerson; Probate Judge Patrick H. O'Brien; Judge of Common Pleas Court, James M. Jeffries; Circuit Court Judge Miles Culehan; Clerk of the U. S. Federal Court, George Read; Michigan Deputy Commissioner of Labor, Joseph Craigen; Samuel John, president, Italian Lawyers Club; Maurice Sugar, consultative attorney to the Foley Square lawyers. Chairman of the reception was James Montante, president, Detroit Chapter National Lawyers Guild.

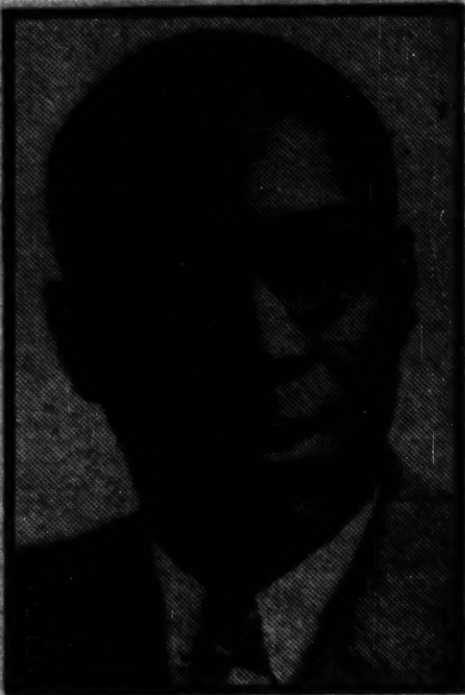
Hollywood, a column of film news and comment by David Platt appears daily, except Tuesday, in the Daily Worker.

Louisville Bosses Get Lesson in Solidarity

LOUISVILLE, Ky., Jan. 23 (FP).—The International Harvester Co. got a real lesson in labor solidarity Jan. 10 when 4,800 workers refused to cross picketlines set up by 79 AFL electricians. This closed the company's foundry and tractor works, which are side by side.

Members of Local 369, AFL Electrical Workers, struck over the company's refusal to grant them a wage increase. The company had been stalling negotiations for a new contract since last March.

The electricians' picketline was



CROCKETT

Cut Relief Food Allotment 40% In Cincinnati

CINCINNATI, Jan. 23.—County city Relief Director, Frederick Breyer announced 40 percent cuts in food allowances for relief clients.

The Welfare Department will not provide funds for rent, utilities, clothing or medicine.

Breyer cited the case one family of two adults and two children which will have its monthly allotment cut from \$109 to \$97.86.

Prior to the planned cut Breyer admitted that the relief budget is only 6 percent of minimum standards set by the state.

U. S. Move Hits French Tobacco

PARIS, Jan. 23 (ALN).—The French tobacco industry has been hard hit by the operation of the Marshall Plan, it was reported here.

Long one of the most important French crops, tobacco is grown widely in several sections of the country. Under new regulations, inspired by the Marshall Plan, the prices paid to tobacco planters by the government tobacco monopoly will be cut 30 percent as compared with 1949.

At the same time 2,000,000,000 francs worth of U. S. tobacco will be imported, it was said.

As a result, it was predicted that thousands of small farmers will be forced to turn to other crops. Protesting the government proposals, the growers' union has asked members to suspend tobacco deliveries pending negotiations with the government.

Venezuelan Unionists Are Exiled

Special to the Daily Worker

CARACAS, Venezuela (Delayed).—A new group of Venezuelan trade union leaders were expelled from their country Dec. 23 by the military dictatorship here. Among them are Martin I. Ramirez, member of the Political Bureau of the Communist Party of Venezuela, leader of the graphic arts workers and editor of the Communist newspaper El Martillo, which was indefinitely suspended by the government.

The expulsion was the government answer to a manifesto in which the leaders of the trade union movement called for unity of all workers to reconquer the democratic liberties suppressed by the military government.

In Caracas, the capital, all unions have formed the Comité Sindical Unitario under the leadership of Ramirez and Jose Vargas, leader of the shoe workers.

Besides El Martillo, several other progressive publications have been suspended. Among them are Tribuna Popular, a daily edited by Dr. Gustavo Machado; a weekly edited by Sen. Alberto Ravell, and Lucha, organ of the oil workers, edited by their leader, Max Garcia, who is now in hiding.

The outlook for those political prisoners who are expelled from Venezuela can be judged by the fate of a group of students and political exiles who, after they were expelled from Venezuela, took refuge in Colombia; in the border town of Cucuta the conservative government of Colombia ordered them arrested and returned to Venezuela, where they were sent to jail and are still there.

Meanwhile Lt. Colonel Carlos Delgado Chabaud, president of the military junta that took power after the military coup of Nov. 24, has nominated a farange leader, Rafael Caldera, to the commission charged with writing a new Electoral Statute.

ITALY UNIONS BALKED 100,000 LAYOFFS IN '49

ROME, Jan. 23 (ALN).—During 1949 the Italian General Confederation of Labor (CGIL) succeeded in preventing the layoff of 100,000 workers in the metal, textile and chemical industries, secretary Giuseppe di Vittorio told a press conference here.

The Italian labor leader added that tens of thousands of acres of uncultivated land had been obtained through the heroic struggle of the organized landless peasants, representing the opening wedge toward land reform.

Despite these achievements, he said, the situation remains critical. Threats of layoffs continue over the heads of thousands of workers. The situation is also serious, diVittorio asserted, because of the constant danger of war and the government's war preparations.

"There are 2,000,000 permanent unemployed," he said, "two million who work only part time, and one and one-half million farm workers who work only several months during the year, while several million peasants and dis-

Soviet Farm Builds Its Own Power Station

Everything from their own power station to a palace of culture has been built at the Budenny Collective Farm in the Odessa region, an article in Pravda reports. The chairman of the farm tells how the accumulation of substantial funds enabled them to make extensive progress in economic and cultural development.

During the past two years the collective farm has built a brick and tile kiln, a power station, a radio relay station, an open-air theatre, a palace of culture, a number of farm buildings and more than 30 stone dwelling houses with all

up-to-date equipment for members of the collective farm. All the collective farmers' homes have electricity and radio. A rural club of motorists and motor cyclists has been organized, athletics and sports are becoming increasingly popular in the village.

In 1950 the collective farm will commission a new power plant, fully mechanize a number of agricultural processes and build a 10-year school, a hospital and many homes for collective farmers, as well as a slaughterhouse, a sausage factory and a creamery.

FORCED LABOR IN AFRICA COLONIES OF PORTUGAL

CAPE TOWN, Jan. 23 (Telepress).—Tens of thousands of Africans from the highlands of Portugal's West African colony of Angola are forcibly recruited every year and driven to work on sugar and cacao plantations, the South African Guardian reports. The paper states that many of these people, uprooted by force, never return to their homeland.

In the other Portuguese colony of Mozambique, the authorities engage in rounding up huge numbers of men for export as cheap labor to the gold and coal mines in the Union of South Africa. The Portuguese rulers of Mozambique receive annual financial tribute

from the South African Government for each man they provide for the South African mines.

One method of recruiting is to demand a specific quota of manpower from each village chieftain. From their homes in the villages, the recruited men are sent to central depots from which they go by train to the Union mines.

They are given no choice, but are sent to mines where labor is most scarce—the worst mines.

Portugal has never signed any international agreement against forced or slave labor. All of the labor exported from the Portuguese colonies in East Africa is recruited by force.

WIDER PROTESTS FIGHT IVORY COAST JAILINGS

PARIS, Jan. 23 (Telepress).—More news is reaching here daily of the powerful protest movement sweeping the Ivory Coast in French West Africa in defense of the imprisoned leaders of the African Democratic Assembly (RDA).

A recent meeting of 5,000 people at Yamoussoukro on the Ivory Coast protested colonial persecution and expressed its support for RDA.

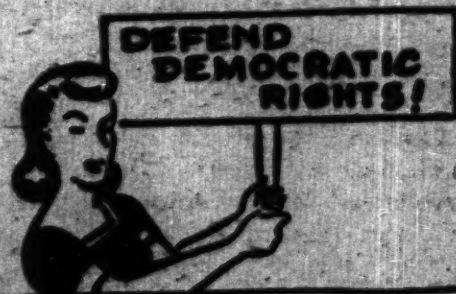
After a large meeting Dec. 24, at Grand Bassam where the eight imprisoned leaders of RDA were on a hunger strike against their unjust sentences, the police attacked the peaceful crowds and 40 African women were wounded.

At Treichville, where indignation against colonial oppression is mounting, 11 other political pri-

oners have commenced a hunger strike.

The executive committee of the Democratic Party of the Ivory Coast has meanwhile ordered the first eight imprisoned leaders to cease their hunger strike "because of their condition of extreme weakness and in order to safeguard the lives of its best militants."

Protests in France are increasing and a delegation of parliamentary deputies visited President Auriol in Paris to demand an end to the persecution of the people of the Ivory Coast.



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Where Do 'Crime Waves' Come From?

MURALS FOR JEFF SCHOOL



Muralist Anton Refregier (second from left), instructor at the Jefferson School of Social Science, discusses a proposed mural painting with Howard Selsam, director of the school, and art students. Other Jefferson School teachers of painting, drawing and sculpture include Philip Bard, Aaron J. Goodelman (sculpture), Herbert Kruckman, Norman Lewis, George Orban (cartoon drawing), and Joseph Wolins. Registration is still on at the school 575 6th Ave.

2 Witnesses in Slaying of Negro Threatened with Arrest

Two key witnesses in last summer's police shooting of George Westray, Negro truck driver, in the admitting room of Lincoln Hospital, were threatened with arrest on Friday by Walter Goldsmith, assistant district attorney of Bronx County, the New York State Civil Rights Congress reported yesterday.

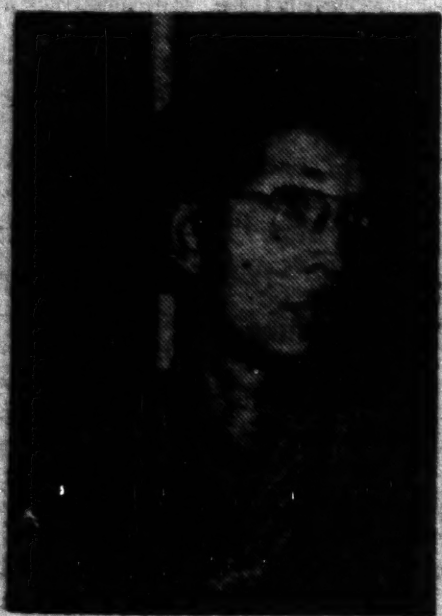
"In order to protect Westray's murderer-in-uniform, the Bronx District attorney's office is intimidating witnesses," Melbourne B. Mitchell, administrative secretary, New York State Civil Rights Congress, charged. "But just as we helped express the Trenton Six frameup, so will we relentlessly continue demanding the indictment of Westray's murderer and fight the crude attempt to whitewash the case. Police brutality and terror against the Negro people must be stopped."

The two witnesses, Dorothy Jackson and Reese Williams, were summoned by Goldsmith to his office for questioning. They appeared as requested, accompanied by counsel, Julian Trupin.

TRIES TO BAR LAWYER

Goldsmith refused to question them before counsel, threatened to have them arrested and held in so-called protective custody, the Civil Rights Congress reported. He also threatened to call them before the grand jury.

Trupin replied on behalf of the



Mrs. Minnie L. Westray, mother of George Westray, slain by a Bronx cop.

witnesses that they had the constitutional right to counsel at all times and that they would gladly appear before the grand jury if summoned.

The hearing on the Westray Case is being held by the Bronx district attorney at the request of Gov. Dewey who has received many protests from Negro and white leaders in New York on the failure to act against Patrolman McEnery.

On Aug. 10, 1949, Westray, 31-year-old Negro, was shot and killed by McEnery in Lincoln Hospital in the Bronx.

JOBLESS BENEFIT ROLLS HIGHER THIS YEAR, GOV'T SAYS

WASHINGTON (EP). — Both new and continued claims for unemployment insurance were higher the first week of the new year than they were in 1949. Director Robert C. Goodwin of the Bureau of Employment Security said here Thursday. He blamed the increase on "seasonal and administrative factors."

During the week ending Jan. 7, new claims for unemployment compensation rose to 424,000 and continued claims of persons jobless the preceding week and earlier were 2,280,000. The rate of increase for the week was not so great as last year. Goodwin said, but the jobless rate last year was lower. The first week in 1949 saw 414,000 new claims and 1,476,000 continued claims, he said.

Shortly before Goodwin's announcement, the Bureau of Labor Statistics published preliminary labor turnover figures complete through November. They showed factory hiring at a rate of 33 per 1,000 workers, in contrast to rates of 39, 48 and 57 in other post-war November. While the rate of voluntary job quitting was going down, layoffs rose to 22 per 1,000 workers, considerably above the rate for November, 1948 to 1947.

By Joseph North

If one were gullible enough to trust the newspapers today, he would come to the horrifying conclusion that we live in a modern Sodom and Gomorrah where every variety of lust, sin and perversion rake the land.

The newspapers read like a clinical guide to America, a Baedeker of sin. Just cull a few headlines this past week from some of the metropolitan dailies:

Los Angeles: Grandpa Guilty in Child Killing, Doomed It Sane.

Lancaster, Pa.: Jail Married Student Who Admits Killing Pretty College Steno.

New York City: Leyra Pleads Not Guilty to Killing Parents.

Concord, N. H.: Slain Student's Dad Calls Trial a Farce.

St. Charles, Mo.: Jail 2, Probe 19 in High School Orgies. 21 Men from 20 to 26 Involved with Teen Age Girl Students.

(This story follows by a few days the lurid accounts from Belvidere, Ill., that carried the headline: "Fifteen Men Charged With Raping Six Adolescent Girls After Plying Them With Soda Fountain Treats.")

Brady, Tex.: Sandra Jury Puzzled by 'Reefer' Testimony.

This is but a minimum sampling, but it is characteristic. In fact, measured by space alone, these stories and their headlines comprise more than a third of the daily "news."

MAKING A WAVE

As I indicated in a recent Worker piece, one must take these headlines with a suspicious eye. For the modern commercial city editor can, on his publisher's orders, whip together a crime "wave" by pasting together five or six stories and plastering them across the page. "It sells papers" is the idea.

Yet one cannot dismiss the possibility that the flood of such stories reveal a moral sickness creeping across the land. Capitalism, Marx once said, strives to mold everything in its image. And a sick capitalism can infect an entire people, as Hitler Germany proved.

Can you expect a healthy moral climate when the supreme bodies in the land project for public discussion an "H-bomb" that will, they say, be "1,000 times as deadly as the A-Bomb?"

THE PEOPLE RESIST

Bad as things are, it is as I recently pointed out, it is remarkable that matters are not much worse. It is my opinion that the lords and masters of our realm are encountering trouble in their effort to besot our people, pervert them into goose-stepping robots. For this industrial society has created a class of working people whose code is greatly shaped by the necessary cooperation the modern belt requires. For you have collective production within the framework of private ownership.

Yes, Sodom and Gomorrah is the spiritual birthplace of the dominant class: the question remains whether that code will affect the working class.

For doubtless, the morality of the capitalism damages all too many of the plain people and their children. Nearly everything is stacked against them. The "news" I cited above are accompanied by other stories that afford a key to the national plight. Space prevents me from reproducing the headlines that told, in these very same issues, of these brutal facts: the richest land in the world has permitted its school plant to deteriorate. Millions of children are poorly schooled, jammed into inadequate classrooms, pushed through the grades. We are short many thousands of teachers. Those we have are poorly paid.

Stories this past week told you

Press Roundup, a summary of editorial comment in the metropolitan press, appears each day in the Daily Worker.

that social services are chopped down; relief cuts dropped New York's jobless over the brink of hunger. We learned that medical service has been steadily curtailed.

The New York Post, for example, which has surged into neck-and-neck competition with Hearst on the sex stuff, also told you that bankruptcies are avalanching, small business is going to the wall. We know that unemployment is on the rise, that nationally millions have exhausted their jobless insurance; that rents are jumping up; that housing is criminally unsatisfactory.

Add to all these factors vulgarity, of our press, magazines, books, radios, television. The cult of murder has become a literature in our mystery stories, our detective thrillers, our comic strips.

Any wonder then that we find these horrifying stories in the morning newspaper? The sex orgies, dope addictions, these killings?

For what is more immoral than

a setup which seriously projects a destructive weapon "which may wipe out mankind?" which puts death at the top of the agenda. This is the supreme immorality, the apex of crime.

Doubtless many must contrast this to another land where the working-class rules, and where dog-eat-dog, the code of capitalism, is gone. In the socialist Soviet Union the administration projects atomic energy to level mountains to make gardens. And simultaneously, as many objective reports reveal, there the individuals' moral code is honorable, the family is secure and the child is the sole aristocrat of the nation.

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Of Things to Come The Colombo Conference

By John Pittman

THE COLOMBO CONFERENCE of the Foreign Ministers of the British Commonwealth has confirmed the analysis of R. Palme Dutt, the British Marxist writer, that the seeming retreats of world imperialism are merely preparations for new aggression. Dutt noted the new tactic of imperialism, the giving of nominal "independence" to colonial peoples, while maintaining the reins of control firmly in the hands of Britain. This tactic, he warned, was not actually a retreat, a voluntary dissolution of empire, but a maneuver for mounting a counter-attack. His analysis was made a year and a half ago.

But 10 days ago in the capital city of Ceylon, blustering old Ernie Bevin, His Majesty's Labor Minister of Foreign Affairs, told the Commonwealth Foreign Ministers that the Colombo Plan was a supplement to Mr. Truman's Point Four project, since the "generous" United States now occupies the position of world banker. And in London the natty and mannered Anthony Eden, elegant front for Churchill's shabby Tories, pleaded for Anglo-American unity in southeast Asia. Thus, both the Labor and the Conservative Parties see eye-to-eye on the need to preserve His Majesty's empire, and the desirability of having Wall Street finance the business of preserving it.

This cuts the ground from beneath one of Churchill's main arguments in the current British election campaign, the argument that the Labor Government has "liberated" the Empire. It also should deter observers from placing too much emphasis on the growing antagonisms between British and U. S. imperialism, thereby minimizing the danger of aggression by an alliance led by the Anglo-American governments.

Main item on the official agenda was the "containment of Communism," listed as "saving the freedom" of the peoples of East Asia. Another item was Indian-Pakistani relations, and a third was the drafting of a peace treaty for Japan. But behind this straightfaced listing lay the real order of business: strengthening the military and strategic defenses of imperialism. As the respectable Economist of London expressed it: "In the Colombo discussions, as in every other attempt to deal realistically with the world's ills, economic projects are a useless vanity until a sound political basis for them has been laid. The most immediate requirement is obviously that of defense."

THE WORD "DEFENSE," in the vocabulary of imperialism, means its opposite-attack. Hence, the Colombo conferees left the question of a treaty for Japan safely in the hands of MacArthur, who is converting that unhappy island into a base of U. S. aggression. They relegated the question of Kashmir, over which India and Pakistan are now engaged in a war consuming half their budgets, to the Security Council of the UN. And even that old running dog of British imperialism, Sir Firoz Khan Noon, was compelled to note that placing the question in the hands of the Security Council turns it over to "a plaything of the two great nations—the United States and the United Kingdom." Finally, the conferees talked loud and long about economic aid to the countries of Southeast Asia, and tried to give the impression that this is their main objective. The several governments will even draw up elaborate surveys of needs and set up agencies to deal with investment.

But the immediate aims of the conference may be seen from the gangup against the Republic of Viet Nam, which is under the leadership of Ho Chi Minh. French mercenaries under the puppet Annamese Emperor Bao Dai have opened attacks all along the Viet Nam frontier. The French Government has set up a puppet Viet Nam regime under Bao Dai, and the United States is preparing to recognize this stateless state.

Thus, the Colombo conference has launched a counter-offensive of force and violence against the peoples of southeast Asia—a counteroffensive aimed eventually at China and the USSR.

A fitting postscript to this, however, is the fact that on the very day the Colombo conference ended, the people of Colombo inaugurated a leftist reform candidate for mayor, and, at the town hall ceremonies, condemned the Foreign Ministers as "instigators of war." And before boarding the cruiser that was to take him back to England, Bevin heard the angry Ceylonese—2,000 of whom (including 50 Buddhist monks) and just attended a peace congress organized by the Ceylonese Communist League—denounce the policies of the Commonwealth governments as outright imperialism.

VIRGIL



By Len Kleis

World of Labor

By George Morris

Reuther, Grace Agree; Pension Costs Only 3 Cents

WALTER REUTHER came forward the other day to confirm the conclusion we reached in this column on Jan. 8, that the steel union's \$100 monthly pension for those aged 65 after 25 years of service with a company, costs only 3 cents of an average hourly pay. It came when Reuther entered the Chrysler negotiations and rejected the company's offer of a pension plan patterned after Bethlehem Steel's. He said it costs only 3 cents an hour. The union demands one that will cost 7 cents.

I am sure Reuther didn't draw his conclusion by simply lifting it out of this column. Prepared to face the company's sharpshooters, he must have had a study made. I drew my result from a published report of president Eugene Grace to Bethlehem stockholders.

Grace said the entire plan would cost the company from \$7,500,000 to \$10,000,000, which he said was not much on an annual payroll of \$490,000,000 for 80,000 workers. Taking Grace's higher figure, less than 2 percent of the payroll, and spreading it over the average hourly earnings in steel of \$1.63, we get the 3 cents.

BETHLEHEM'S CASE, incidentally, could compare closely with Chrysler's. Both companies employ about the same number of workers. Reuther's estimate of the same cost of the same plan in a different industry proves that the cost couldn't possibly vary more than a fraction if applied to any of the major industries. It isn't the 10 or 12 cents an hour Murray claimed.

This raises a question. Will Philip Murray file charges against Reuther for estimating that his pension plan isn't worth more than 3 cents an hour? By the standard he set previously, he should get after Reuther with all fury. In the previous case it was the convention of the United Electrical, Radio and Machine Workers that passed a resolution on the report of the President's Fact-Finding Board which recommended the wage freeze and the pension-welfare plans.

The UE couldn't have committed a worse "crime" in Murray's book. The UE said that what the steelworkers do is their business, but on its part, the UE will not accept a wage freeze. This is what Murray called "carping unjustified criticism of the United Steelworkers and its leadership," in his printed report submitted to the recent convention. He further called it "diabolical, prejudiced and ill-founded" and "the most flagrant approach to union strikebreaking."

SURELY WALTER REUTHER is guilty of at least all the above for so belittling what Murray got for the steel workers. But Reuther's estimate of the Chrysler pension also brings to light a bit of a contradiction in his own house. Some weeks before Murray signed his first pension pact, Reuther signed one with Ford which he and the Ford Co. claimed would cost 8 1/2 cents an hour. Murray and his experts criticized the Ford plan very much because it prejudiced their case. It provides for 30 years service with the company and some other disagreeable features.

How can Reuther now claim that Ford really gave the 8 cents plus an hour if Chrysler's requiring 25 years service costs only 3 cents?

I can understand why the Chrysler workers are so dead set against the pension plans of Ford and steel. Shortly after the war, interviewing some of the Chrysler local leaders, I was told what an all-out campaign the company was pressing to get rid of the older people, especially through physical re-examination by company doctors, and by pink-slipping them because they are unfit to keep up with the new postwar speed-up that was only getting under way. Now with a pension plan, an aged worker becomes "too expensive" to stay on the payroll.

The workers know what chance there is for man to accumulate 25 years of service and survive at least one layoff a year. Grace put it straight to his stockholders when he wrote:

"Bethlehem's experience has shown that only a relatively small percentage of the employees will normally receive pensions because the great majority of them either die or otherwise terminate their employment before they reach pensionable age."

This could have just as well come from Chrysler's boss. Under the circumstances, it seems to me, the only way the Chrysler workers can really see the 11 1/2 cents an hour they are asking is if it is put in cash into their pay envelope.

Letters from Readers

Magic Words

Rochester, N. Y.
Editor, Daily Worker:

A reader writes to tell us that he sold some Daily Workers on Jan. 11, found some big words in it, and decided that workers will never read a paper that uses such language. What I want to know is: Did his sales fall off the next day?

Why do some readers forever portray the workers as dumb clucks who must be talked down to? This attitude grieves me, for I, like many another, as a worker who has received a liberal

education from the pages of the Daily Worker.

Too many readers are kidding themselves that a descent to the tabloid level of English will bag us the tabloid readers. It is not true that the Daily Worker's circulation is what it is because the Daily Worker's words are what they are. A host of factors enter into the problem, with the matter of language far in the rear. They who pin their hopes on a few magic words to turn the trick of building mass circulation are riding a superstition hard.

C. OSBORN.

Press Roundup

THE TIMES reports that "Free discussion, the very foundation of democratic government, cannot exist—in an atmosphere of fear. The community must have confidence in itself and in its teachers if any study of current affairs is to be worthwhile. Students cannot possibly be trained to meet the problems of the day if they are to be sheltered from the controversies of the day." We suggest the Times make these suggestions to Superintendent of Schools Jansen and Corporation Counsel McGrath, who are now intensifying their witchhunt against teachers.

THE NEWS doesn't want the kind of message from President Truman that will "only throw a still bigger fright into risk capital." What the News wants is a message which will place the burden of war expenditures on the backs of the little people.

THE MIRROR makes the Hiss conviction the green light for a demand for increased witchhunting. The conviction gives the Hearst tab a chance for new attacks on the Teheran and Potsdam agreements, both of which Hiss attended as secretary.

THE HERALD TRIBUNE'S Walter Lippmann finds that the Communist approach to Asia permits rapid industrialization of backward areas, while the so-called Western approach under United States control is the slow, fettered kind. The people of Asia, says Lippmann, may not care for the slow type, and may choose the kind of governments which make rapid advances.

THE COMPASS holds that if Hiss is guilty he "should suffer the penalty, of course," but then he go scot-free, as payment for quis Childs, feels that the Hiss his testimony?" Chambers has admitted repeated perjuries before grand juries, congressional committees and in other places.

THE POST columnist, Marquis Childs, feels that the Hiss trial verdict has left "a bad taste in the mouth. That probably hits close to what Americans feel." Childs says that "we should not hesitate to expose and analyze the motives of those who conspired against the U. S. government. But when this is pushed to the point of prosecution—and persecution—of men and women for ideas they hold, then we imperil the very base of a free society."

THE WORLD-TELEGRAM is now after the head of everybody who ever defended Alger Hiss. It casts unsavory mud on Mrs. Roosevelt, Dean Acheson, two Supreme Court Justices and Ambassador - At - Large Jessup. The Telegram goes after the State Department and "other government agencies" and wants to know are they "now free of traitorous enemies within?"

THE JOURNAL-AMERICAN is against "pensions." "Another result of the agitation for employer-financed pensions has been to stampede employers into support of the proposed Socialistic extension of the payroll-tax plan."

COMING: The New Ohio Gang ... By Gus Hall ... in the weekend Worker

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Hiss Is Not Their Target

THERE IS A NEW WAY to spell Franklin D. Roosevelt. Now they spell it—H-I-S-S.

In going after the youthful New Dealer Alger Hiss, they are out to drive their daggers into the reputation of Roosevelt's four administrations.

Hiss is just a fall guy for much bigger game. The Hearst press tipped the hand of the men who launched this obscene spectacle with the disgusting Whittaker Chambers as their finger-man. The Hearst press shouts that Hiss' conviction proves that the New Deal was "pro-Russia" and that by implication, any American from FDR down who ever worked for, or STILL WORKS FOR, American-Soviet cooperation and peace is a "fifth columnist." The Hiss trial was rigged by men who want to outlaw the peace movement in our America, who want to make peace synonymous with espionage.

THE THEORY OF THE HISS indictment was that the New Deal was "Communist" and that the Communists are "spies" and, therefore, the New Deal was itself a program of "pro-Russian espionage." That means that the Hiss conviction will be used as the signal for a new and more vicious assault on the entire progressive and Left movement. It means that the Hitlerite version of the Communist movement will become even more blatantly the version of the FBI and the bi-partisan mob in Congress. Taking off from the Foley Square frame-up, the "inevitable war" mob in Washington will see in the Hiss verdict the opportunity to press the outlawing of the Communist Party. And as the dreadful experience of Nazi Germany and fascist Italy proved—not to speak of fascist Spain—the outlawing of the Communist Party spells the outlawing of all political liberty of any kind whatsoever for everyone else.

THE MIDDLE-CLASS JURY performed as expected. The prosecutor flung the caricatured image of "Soviet Russia" in front of their faces and dared them to defy the demand for a guilty verdict. In the fear-laden atmosphere of the "cold war" blackmail, the jury is no less on trial than the particular victim picked by the FBI for the slaughter at the moment. Juries don't want to face the cold eyes of J. Edgar Hoover with his wire-tapping network and his fingerprint files with 70,000,000 names. Judges and juries who convict are greeted for their "patriotic services." Judges and juries that dare to cling to the rules of evidence face curses and persecution themselves.

Will our country let itself be tricked into police state suppression of all opposition to the "cold war" conspiracy? Will we let the confessed perjurer Whittaker Chambers be the Judas-goat to lead the nation into the same trap, into which the dope-fiend and degenerate Van der Lube helped Hitler push the German nation? If ever the country needs to be on the alert against the Un-American Committee's would-be lynchers of our Constitution, this is the time.

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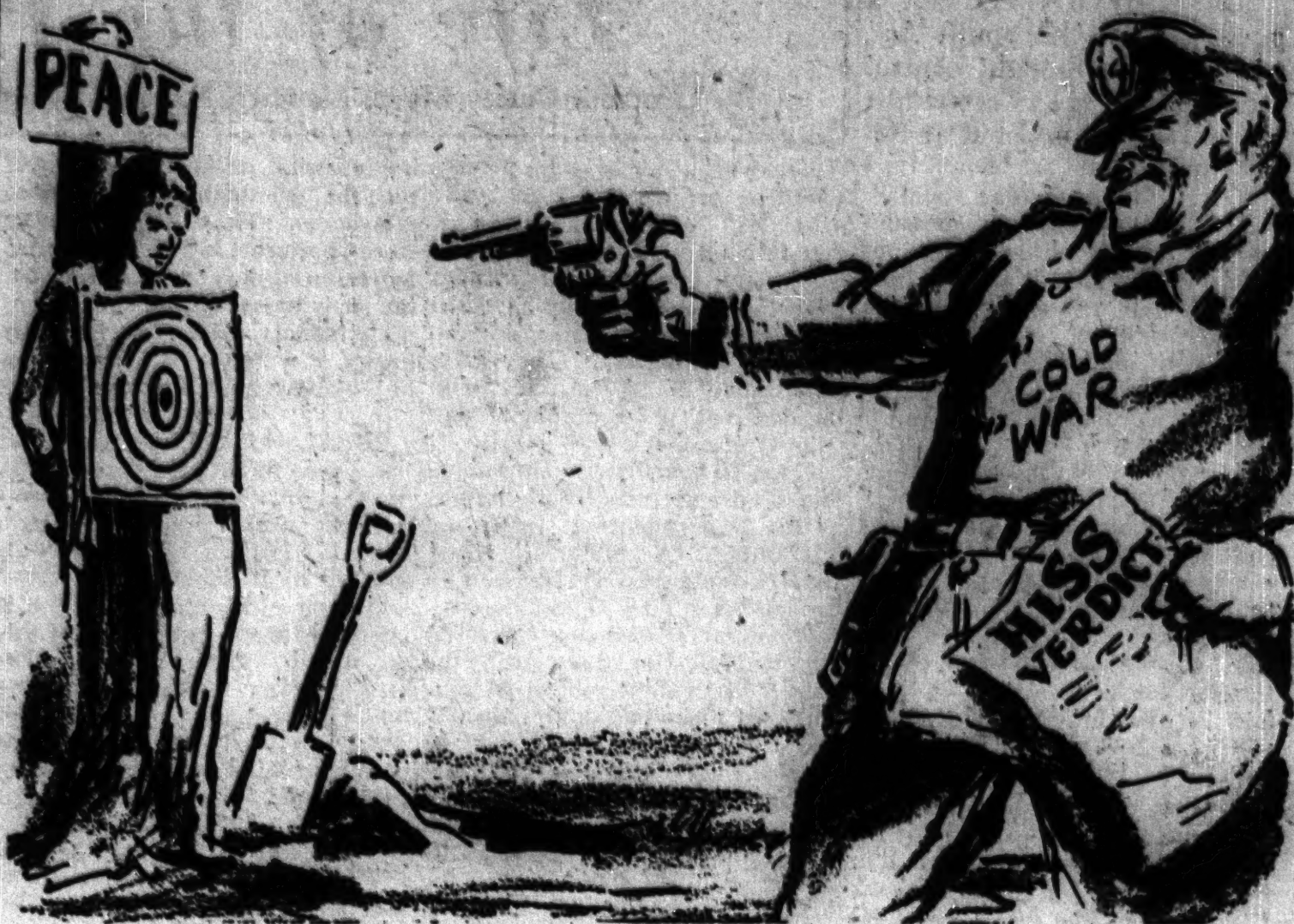
IN RECENT DAYS, a movement has been developing in various parts of New York state called "One Hundred Percent PLUS," in which Communist Party local organizations pledge to overfulfill their quotas for the current Worker subscription campaign.

Initiated by two Brooklyn sections, Bath Beach and Brighton, the movement has spread to six other sections. What happens is this: a Communist Party section, having completed its original goal, decides to do more. In some cases the new objective is 200 percent, in others 150 percent and 125 percent, and so forth.

These sections are making a really significant contribution to the working class movement far transcending the issue of winning new readers to The Worker, as important as that is.

They are proving by deeds that strength, confidence and understanding are present among workers and people generally in regard to the profound questions of the day.

We are happy to accept this support from these Communist Party sections. We hope that other clubs and individual members will join in the "One Hundred Percent PLUS" movement winning many more thousands of new subscribers and thereby underscoring the great truth of our era, that the peace forces are growing and can successfully succeed in defeating those who would ignite



The Communists and The British Elections

By R. Palme Dutt

LONDON.

THE COMING GENERAL ELECTION will be fought against the background of Britain's crisis. Four parties will be contesting the election—Conservative, Liberal, Labor and Communist. Every party must be tested in the light of its capacity to meet the conditions of the crisis.

By that test the Conservative, Liberal and Labor parties are bankrupt. Only the Communist Party enters the fight as a challenging political force, united to the old order, and with a positive alternative program to solve the problems of the British people.

Nineteen-fifty is not 1945. A new political era is opening.

In 1945 the Communist Party restricted the number of its candidates in order to facilitate the victory of the Labor Party over Toryism. Scores of Labor M.P.s, including present Ministers, publicly testified to the selfless work of the Communists in promoting the common victory.

That policy was correct and necessary in order that the people should advance beyond Toryism and have direct experience of Labor Reformism in office with a Parliamentary majority.

Today, five years of experience of the Labor Government approaches completion.

That experience has demonstrated that Labor Reformism is incapable of leading the workers to victory over capitalism. Its policy is surrender to capitalism and imperialism.

The meagre legislative reforms have shrivelled up in the crisis of capitalism, and given place to cuts and a ruthless offensive against the workers' standards.

The two Front Benches of Toryism and Laborism have drawn close together on all major issues of policy. Their noisy electoral shadow-boxing cannot conceal this identity.

They have found common ground in their hostility to the militant working class, to Communism and the Soviet Union. They have found common ground on the basis of State capitalist monopoly and its offensive against wages and hours. They have found common ground on the basis of Anglo-American imperialism and its war offensive.

The fight against this policy of disaster and ruin needs to be fought alike in industry and in the political field. This fight is being led by the Communist Party on behalf of all progressive

sections of the Labor Movement and the common people.

In the London Daily Worker of July 2, 1937, John Strachey described the surrender of a Labor Government before the crisis of capitalism.

"The orders of the capitalist are, of course, always the same. They are to solve the crisis at the expense of the workers. Any Left Government which begins to do this, as the British Labor Government did, is not only dead but damned.

"It produces a gigantic wave of disillusionment among its own supporters, who, instead of the great concessions which they have been promised, receive cuts from their own Government.

"If the capitalist can induce the leaders of the Labor movement to do this, they are on the high road to destroy the whole working class movement."

The truth of this has not become less because its author, as a Minister, now shares responsibility for the policy he denounced.

Tory Big Business is trying with a lavish, unscrupulous, demagogic campaign to win electoral support on the basis of disillusionment with Reformism, that is with capitalist policy.

This offensive of Toryism must be defeated. The Communist Party stands always in the vanguard of the fight against Toryism. But Toryism cannot be defeated by surrender to Tory policy. It is right wing Labor policy which paves the way for a Tory come-back, as the examples of Australia and New Zealand have shown.

The menace of a Tory come-back can only be destroyed by the revival of the fighting, class spirit of hostility to capitalism which won the day in 1945. This is the spirit of the fight of the Communist Party.

It is not enough to turn out Tory candidates, if the same Tory policy is smuggled back through the back-door by right-wing Labor in office.

The political fight of the working class in this election can only be conducted on the basis of a program which squarely challenges Toryism and

Tory policy in the Labor movement. Such a program is the program of the Communist Party, "The Socialist Road for Britain."

The Communist Party calls for the united fight of all Socialists and active workers and supporters of peace on the basis of this program in every constituency without exception.

The Communist Party sets the tactical aim of the working class and all progressive people in this election:

1—To rout every Tory in every constituency;

2—To return a strong representation of Communists and militant working-class representatives, wherever such candidates are available.

THE COMMUNIST PARTY is the only party in this election which fights for peace against the crazy war policy of the Bradleys and Montgomerys, the Churchills and Viscount Alexanders.

The Communist Party fights for the all-round reduction of armaments and prohibition of the atom bomb.

It is the only party in this election which stands for the national independence of Britain against the bullying dictation and trade bans of American economic experts, and against the American military occupation and preparation to use British young people as cannon fodder.

The Communist program shows how cooperation with the Soviet Union and the democratic forces of the world can help to solve Britain's trade problem and end dollar dependence.

The Communist Party is the only party in this election which fights for improved wages, benefits and living standards at the expense of wealth in place of the policy of cutting real wages and standards which is demanded by Big Business and which has been accepted by Labor ministers and the Trades Union Congress General Council.

The cutting of real wages is not the alternative to mass unemployment. It is the quickest way to mass unemployment.

The Communist Party is the only party in this election which fights for the aims of socialism. (Continued on Page 9)

By Elizabeth Gurley Flynn

LET'S BEGIN TO take a good look at the Smith Act, under whose thought control sections the 11 Communist leaders were convicted at Foley Square. It is about time Americans did something about it. A cumbersome omnibus measure named after an obscure reactionary from Virginia, it passed June 28, 1940. It undertook to amend a whole series of laws particularly those dealing with immigration and deportation, and to add to the criminal code new thought control provisions, applicable to all. The latter met with considerable opposition in the hearings of the Judiciary Committee which omitted them in reporting the bill out.

Smith scurried around and had an amendment tacked on to another bill. This was defeated in the Senate. Aided by McCormack of Mass., he then had a last minute amendment made to his own bill. It passed the House by 79 to 32, the narrowest margin by which any section of the Smith Act carried. This advocacy section never received a favorable report from any committee of the 76th Congress which had subjected it to the test of a public hearing. It was sneaked through.

In its final form the Smith Act had as the first sub-head of its title: "To prohibit certain subversive activities." Section two of this subtitle dealt with advocacy. It is a modern version of the Alien and Sedition Law of 1798 which was so hateful to freedom-loving Americans of that day that President Adams was defeated on account of it.

President Thomas Jefferson on taking office, pardoned all its victims and all fines were refunded—a good precedent for today.

IN READING over the records, it is significant to find Sam Hobbs of Alabama, father of the Hobbs

British Election

(Continued from Page 7) against the capitalist monopolies, at a time when the Labor Party has officially abandoned the aim of Socialism for the new formula of the "mixed economy" with four-fifths of economy openly capitalist.

FIVE MILLION ELECTORS will have the opportunity to vote for Communist candidates in this election. This is still one-sixth of the electorate owing to the undemocratic electoral system.

In the 100 constituencies contested by Communist candidates and progressive representatives of the Labor Independents every support must be mobilized and every vote polled.

We enter the election in good heart. We know the heavy obstacles placed against us by the power of wealth, the entrenched machines and the entire millionaire press.

But we know that our fight in this election represents the key fight for the political future of the British people. In the words of Harry Pollitt's Political Report to the Liverpool Congress:

"In the last analysis the future of Britain, the salvation of the British people from disaster, depends not on the choice of a Tory or a rightwing labor government, but on the development throughout the country of a fighting working-class movement that will ceaselessly defend the working class from the coming capitalist attack, and will advance to the establishment of a new government which will include Communists and carry out a genuine working-class policy such as we have outlined."

Life of the Party

By Elizabeth Gurley Flynn, Member, National Committee, Communist Party

Concentration Camp Bill, playing a leading role in pushing the Smith Act. He expressed "my joy that this bill will do in a perfectly legal and constitutional manner what the bill, specifically aimed at the deportation of Harry Bridges, seeks to accomplish." They were afraid that the Allen Bill would be declared unconstitutional and wanted one that could succeed.

Now, 10 years later, with fascist-like persistence, the head hunters of the Department of Justice are attempting to railroad Harry Bridges on a perjury frameup to lay basis for such deportation.

There were some few Congressmen in 1940 who were alert to the danger of thought control sections and who spoke out sharply against them. Vito Marcantonio referred to them as "a Federal criminal syndicalist law." Congressman Coffee of Washington said, "Criminal syndicalist law cursed the statute of many states and of the Federal government following World War I."

"Actually the phrase 'Overthrow the government by force and violence' was construed by innumerable judges as an indictment of labor leaders who were prosecuted

ing a strike against an employer for the elimination of asserted grievances. Thus labor leaders were persecuted and prosecuted by reason of their strike and picketing activities under the provisions of criminal syndicalist laws by means of a distorted interpretation of the above quoted phrase."

HE ALSO CALLED attention to that paragraph of the section dealing with seizure of books and writings, which is a shockingly flagrant violation of Article 4 of the Bill of Rights. It reads: "Any written or printed matter which is intended for use in violation of this act, may be taken from any house or other place in which it may be found or from any person in whose possession it may be." Here "intentions" or mind searching become subject to FBI scrutiny and judgment.

Who can deny that this is thought control? Books, pamphlets, and papers are placed on an index, labelled criminal paraphernalia. The historical Communist Manifesto and Value, Price and Profit are in the same category as a burglar's outfit. Let us not forget that the indictment charged con-

had assailed Paul Robeson for declaring Negroes will not fight the Soviet Union. Mrs. Robeson laughed and asked: "Are they still talking about that?"

Then she added that, "without being a Negro leader," she'd say "The Negro isn't going to fight another war for 'democracy' until he can get some democracy first. Two wars is enough, the Negro doesn't want a third."

"If Paul isn't a Negro leader, why do they go around shouting so much that he's not? I think they do protest too much."

Both in Asia and Europe. Mrs. Robeson said she found the people tremendously interested in the problems of Negro Americans, and convinced that the reputation of the United States in world affairs depends upon its policy and practice toward its Negro citizens—a subject on which she expressed her views in "American Argument," written and published in 1943 in collaboration with Pearl Buck. People abroad were also concerned, she said, about the future of Africa, regarding the European powers' relations to that continent as the acid test of their democratic professions.

The Council of African Affairs has announced that Mrs. Robeson will fill speaking engagements in New York and the east during February and will make a cross country tour during March.

Taxes

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laws which permits corporations to carry over so-called losses from one year to another to avoid paying taxes. Under this provision, the big corporations have already made millions of dollars.

"This extension," said Truman, "will give increased incentive to business investment affected by uncertain profit expectations."

• Elimination of taxes on all profits by Wall Street corporations made in foreign countries, to give them credit for taxes paid in those countries and liberalize exemptions on incomes earned abroad.

Truman demagogically proposed removal of tax law provisions which enables oil and mining corporations, insurance companies and motion picture corporations and stars to dodge proper tax payments.

He also suggested larger and loophole-free estate and gift tax laws, and a "moderate increase" in the tax rate of corporations earning more than \$50,000 a year, in addition to a reduction in the tax rate of corporations making between \$25,000 and \$50,000 a year.

VAGUE ON EXCISE TAXES

Truman did not spell out the amount of reduction he sought in excise taxes. He merely recommended a reduction "to the extent, and only to the extent, that the resulting loss in revenue is replaced by revenue obtained from closing loopholes in present tax laws."

Excise taxes, which amount to a national sales tax, were "most urgently needed" on "transportation of property, transportation of persons, long distance telephone and telegraph communications and the entire group of retail excises, including such items as toilet preparations, luggage and handbags," Truman said.

Mrs. Robeson

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and it will be pretty hard and pretty soon.

Mrs. Robeson frankly admitted that her discussions with Indian delegates to the women's conference had ended her illusions about Nehru's India. Discussing the evidence of poverty, oppression and mass jailing, she commented: "I have known Nehru for many years and I have defended him. I didn't believe it was possible. But facts are facts. He's the head of the government and it's one of the worst pictures in Asia, India is."

A reporter asked Mrs. Robeson to comment on Sunday's speech by A. Philip Randolph of the Sleeping Car Porters. Told that "Randolph

him not to proceed with a retrial. There was so little public interest in Mr. Rogge's effort during the trial that all the big newspapers withdrew their reporters. Art Shields of the Daily Worker was one who covered it from start to finish. He was reviled and insulted daily by the arrogant fascists in court. No—all the forces of reaction were disinterested in fascist crimes. Their main desire was to use this act against the Communist Party as they finally succeeded in doing in 1948. But in attacking the Communists they also attacked the constitutional rights of millions of Americans.

(More about the Smith Act later).

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Miners Revolt Against Hunger

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mine, a Weirton Steel colliery. "I know damn well they're not going back," he said. "They're hungry."

The committeeman was right. The Isabella local, one of the largest in the UMW, with 1,050 members, voted Sunday to stay out.

Key local was the Robena mine, a U. S. Steel colliery. Robena, with 2,500 members, is the largest local in the union.

Hynes and Michael Honus, District 4 secretary-treasurer, came to Masontown Sunday to appeal personally to the men to return to work. They voted district officials down. And even where locals voted to return nobody

could bet that the vote would bind the men. I spoke to miners as they came out of a local meeting which had voted to go back. They work for a Bethlehem Steel mine. They were not happy about the vote.

"But what can you do?" a miner said. "We have to stand together. Either all stay out or all go back."

He and the group around him were staying out but bowed to the wisdom of keeping their forces intact. "Still," another man said, "you can't tell. Somebody could dump his bucket next week and we'll be out again."

(Miners don't go into the pits without water in their dinner buckets. When they dump them, they just turn around and go home.)

AT VESTA NO. 5

It happened that way today at the Vesta No. 5 mine in Washington County, part of District 5. The local had voted to return. But pickets appeared today and none of the 1,500 miners worked.

I spoke to the president of one of the biggest locals in the UMW, a local at a U.S. Steel-owned mine. While we talked there was one phone call, a miner asking the best way to get on relief. And another miner came in person, a young man wearing an army aviator's leather jacket. He'd heard the Salvation Army in Uniontown was giving out clothes.

"Did my wife call, you, Jim?" he asked quietly. "We have to get some clothes for the kids. It's getting too damn cold for their old clothes. What about this Salvation Army deal?"

"They ran out yesterday," the local president said.

The young man shook his head and left.

NO TIME

The local president didn't have much time to talk. There was a meeting coming up. He didn't have to talk because it's the same way in every company patch.

This president is a strong Lewis supporter. The proudest place in his living room is reserved for a photo in which he is part of a group flanking John L. Lewis.

"They figure John L. Lewis knows what he's doing with the three-day week," he said. "He's cutting down stockpiles and holding off Taft-Hartley. But they don't know. They figure if you're

going to starve working, you might as well stay out altogether and fight it out."

I suggested it might be a good idea if help came from other unions.

"Seems like it ought to. Where the hell would they be today if the miners didn't fight for so many years? Where would the CIO be if we didn't put up money to get it organized?"

I was going to mention the resolutions and protests to the government from other locals, but I was afraid to sound like a dogooder. Miners' kids can't eat resolutions. He was glad to hear of the material help from the Westinghouse local of the UE in Pittsburgh. That local has also called two special meetings this week to organize aid for the miners.

Nearly every mine leader and miner feels the situation is dangerous; somebody may try to drive a wedge between the UMW leadership and the miners. And internal warfare, they fear, would endanger every gain they've made. That's why they'll always tell you "We're all for John L. Lewis."

Meanwhile the Big Money press is trying to gloat over the situation. None of them suggests organizing aid for the miners but they all try to play up the "revolt" angle. If it's a revolt, it's not against Lewis; it's against the conditions imposed by the employers, the government and the stooge press.

And this situation, as well as the goading hunger, are things which prompt support from the rest of labor can help change.

Wants Anti-Trust Act Used Against UMW

WASHINGTON, Jan. 23.—A bill to bring labor unions under the anti-trust laws and clear the way for a court crackdown on miners president John L. Lewis was introduced today by Sen. A. Willis Robertson (D-Va.).

He attacked the three-day work week in the coal mines.

The bill would permit the use of injunctions to halt "unreasonable" actions by unions in restraint of trade.

Writ Hearing Feb. 1

WASHINGTON, Jan. 23 (UP).—Federal Judge Richmond B. Keech today gave the United Mine Workers until Feb. 1 to draft

UE Mobilizes To Back Miners

A call to all affiliates of the United Electrical, Radio and Machine Workers to give full support to the coal miners, and to all sections of the labor movement to set aside all differences on the issue, was adopted by the UE's weekend national conference of 500 delegates.

The statement said: "The attack on the coal miners and their union is the spearhead of the assault of Big Business against the entire labor movement. Robert Denham, Truman's appointee to the Taft-Hartley board acting as agent of the coal and steel barons, is using the Taft-Hartley injunction in an attempt to destroy this great union and the gains it has won."

"The UE recognizes the great contributions the miners and their union have made to the cause of labor and pledges support to them in their present fight."

"The UE calls upon the entire membership—all locals and districts—to work out practical means of assistance to the miners."

"We urge all sections of the labor movement to set aside differences to work unitedly to defeat this attack against the miners and the rest of the labor movement."

Toma Babin Sails for Poland

Toma Babin, former Yugoslav attache, left the United States on the SS Batory last Friday for Poland, which has granted him asylum as an anti-fascist refugee. It was announced yesterday by the American Committee for Protection of Foreign Born.

In contrast with the asylum given other diplomats of eastern European countries who disagree with the policies of their governments, Babin was treated like a criminal and held on Ellis Island since last June, with the threat of deportation to Yugoslavia where he would have faced death. Abner Green, executive secretary of the American Committee, stated, "Because Mr. Babin is an anti-fascist he is forced to leave this country where he has lived since 1925, and compelled to part with his American citizen wife and friends."

an answer to the government's bid for a court injunction putting the coal fields back on a five-day work week.

Hearings had been scheduled for Thursday. Keech granted the six-day postponement after attorneys for the UMWA sought more time to prepare their arguments.

General Counsel Robert N. Denham of the National Labor Relations Board had filed the injunction request last Wednesday.

Rayburn Bars Vote On FEPC in House

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operating with the Dixiecrats to this end because he ordered the President's tax message read in full, a procedure usually dispensed with. He could have ruled many of the quorum calls out of order because they were obviously "dilatory" that is, intended merely to delay the business before the House, but he did not choose to do so.

This morning, shortly before Rayburn and other Democratic Congressional leaders held their regular Monday White House conference, there were reports President Truman was prepared to pressure the Speaker to recognize Lesinski. When Rayburn emerged from the executive office, however, he denied this.

"The President did not order me what to do, as some folks were saying he would," Rayburn told reporters in the White House lobby. "What we are going to do in the House today was not discussed."

A few minutes later in his own office in the Capitol, Rayburn chatted with reporters.

"I said last Saturday I would recognize Mr. Kee (Rep. John Kee (D-WVa.), Chairman of the House Foreign Affairs Committee) to bring up his bill," said Rayburn. "Mr. Kee has decided he will not seek recognition."

He said that among pending "platform bills" were those providing statehood for Alaska and Hawaii and that he would recognize Peterson to bring them up.

WEASEL WORDS

"With reference to FEPC," Rayburn continued, "it is eligible to be called up, but we had a terrific and rather bitter fight on the change in the rules on Friday. There was a lot of heat and some bad humor. I don't think there is the right atmosphere in the House for FEPC so soon after that fight."

Rayburn said the Rules Committee will meet "at an early date" and expressed confidence it would report out a rule on FEPC.

"That's all the statement I have to make on FEPC," Rayburn concluded.

Rep. Franklin Roosevelt Jr. (D-NY) announced he had filed a discharge petition under which FEPC could be brought to the floor when signed by 218 members of the House.

"FEPC is business that is long past due in the House," he said. However, there was a nasty partisan flavor to his action, in view of the fact that Rep. Adam Clayton Powell (D-NY) author of the FEPC bill announced last week he would introduce a discharge petition if Rayburn failed to recognize Lesinski.

Observers said Roosevelt's action helped Rayburn off the hot spot because it diverted attention from the Speaker's responsibility for not calling up FEPC.

William L. Patterson, executive secretary of the Civil Rights Congress, yesterday denounced the failure of the House to take up civil rights legislation as a repetition of the "annual betrayal" of the Negro people by "Truman and the two major political parties."

"The Negro people must reply to Truman's betrayal of civil rights by uniting with progressive white allies, regardless of their political beliefs, and by intensifying their mass action," said Patterson.

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9:00-WOR-Harry Stennay
 WJZ-Breakfast Club
 WJZ-This Is New York
 WNYC-Masterwork Hour
 9:15-WNBC-Norman Brokenshire
 WOR-Meet the Men
 9:30-WOR-Food-Airline W. McCann
 WQXR-Plano Personalities
 9:45-WNBC-Dr. J. Office
 WJZ-Missus Goes A-Shopping
 WQXR-Composers' Varieties
 10:00-WNBC-Welcome Travelers
 WOR-Henry Gladstone
 WJZ-My True Story
 WQXR-Sing Crosby Show
 WQXR-Morning Melodies
 10:15-WOR-Martha Deane Program
 WJZ-Arthur Godfrey Show
 10:30-WNBC-Marriage for Two
 WJZ-Betty Crocker Magazine
 WNYC-Health Talk
 10:45-WNBC-Dorothy Dix
 WJZ-Victor Lindahl
 11:00-WNBC-We Love and Learn
 WOR-News
 WJZ-Modern Romance
 WNYC-Music
 WQXR-News Alma Gottling
 11:15-WNBC-Dave Garroway Show
 WOR-Tello-Ten
 11:30-WNBC-Jack Soren
 WOR-Galen Drake
 WJZ-Quiz Program
 WQXR-Grand Slam
 WQXR-Violin Personalities
 11:45-WNBC-David Harum
 WJZ-Rosemary
 WOR-Kate Smith Sings
 WQXR-Luncheon Concert

AFTERNOON

12:00-WNBC-News Roundup
 WOR-Kate Smith
 WJZ-Ladies Be Seated
 WJZ-Wendy Warren-Sketch
 WNYC-Midday Symphony
 WQXR-News: Luncheon Concert
 12:15-WNBC-Norman Brokenshire
 WOR-Rod Henderson Show
 12:25-WJZ-News
 12:30-WNBC-News: Luncheon at Sardi's
 WJZ-Herb Shelton
 WJZ-Helen Trent
 12:45-WNBC-Our Gal Sunday
 1:00-WNBC-Mary Margaret McBride
 WJZ-News
 WJZ-Quiz
 WNYC-Chamber Music
 WQXR-News: Midday Symphony
 1:15-WJZ-Nancy Craig
 WJZ-Ma Parker
 1:30-WNBC-Young Dr. Malone
 WOR-Hollywood Theatre
 1:45-WNBC-Guiding Light
 WNYC-News: Weather Report
 2:00-WNBC-Doubt or Nothing
 WOR-Ladies Fair
 WJZ-Welcome to Hollywood
 WJZ-Second Mrs. Burton
 WQXR-Perry Mason
 2:15-WNBC-Today's Children
 WOR-Queen for a Day
 WJZ-Birds and Bees
 WQXR-Curtain at 2:30
 WNYC-Symphonic Matinee
 2:45-WNBC-Point of View
 WJZ-The Brighter Day
 WQXR-Musical Specialties
 3:00-WNBC-Life Can Be Beautiful
 WOR-Second Honeymoon
 WJZ-Choral Singers
 WJZ-Nona, Sketch
 3:15-WNBC-Road of Life
 WOR-Second Honeymoon
 WJZ-Sutton House
 WJZ-Buddy Rogers Show
 3:30-WNBC-Pepi Young
 WJZ-Hannibal Cobb
 WOR-Answer Man
 WJZ-House Party
 3:45-WNBC-Right to Happiness
 4:00-WNBC-Backstage Wife, Sketch
 WOR-Barbara Wells, Show
 WJZ-Carter Family
 WJZ-Gary Moore Show
 WNYC-Disk Date, Records
 WQXR-Record Album
 4:15-WNBC-Sella Dallas, Sketch
 4:30-WNBC-Lorenz Fox, Sketch
 WOR-Dean Cameron Show
 WJZ-Melody Promenade
 4:45-WNBC-Young Wilder Brown
 WJZ-People, Part 2
 5:00-WNBC-When a Girl Marries
 WOR-Straight Arrow Sketch
 WJZ-Green Hornet
 WQXR-Sweet Serenade
 5:15-WNBC-Portia Faces Life
 WQXR-Record Review
 5:30-WNBC-Just Plain Bill
 WJZ-Hits and Misses
 WJZ-Jack Armstrong
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 8:30-Music for the Connoisseur.
 WNYC.
 8:30-Toronto Symphony Orchest.
 WQXR.
 9:00-Bob Hope show. WNBC.
 9:00-America's Town Meeting.
 WJZ.
 10:00-Mills - Maxim Fight (Lon-
 don). WNEW.
 TV
 8:00-Milton Berle show. WNBC.
 8:00-Court of Current Issues.
 WABD.
 9:00-Actors Studio. WJZ.

EVENING

8:00-WNBC-Kenneth Banghart
 WOR-Lyle Van
 WJZ-News
 WQXR-Eric Sevareid
 WQXR-Dance Theatre
 WNYC-UN Story
 8:15-WNBC-Sports
 WOR-On the Century
 WJZ-Allen Prescott
 WNYC-UN Is My Beat
 8:30-WNBC-Wayne Howell
 WOR-News: Vandeventer
 WQXR-Curt Maury
 WNYC-Music
 WQXR-Much to Do About Music
 8:45-WNBC-Three Star Extra
 WOR-Fran Lomax
 WJZ-Johnny Thompson Show
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 7:00-WNBC-Sinatra Songs
 WOR-Fulton Lewis Jr.
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 WQXR-News
 WNYC-Masterwork Hour
 WQXR-News: Keyboard Artists.
 7:05-WJZ-Headline Edition
 7:15-WNBC-News of the World
 WOR-Answer Man
 WJZ-News
 WQXR-Jack Smith Show
 WQXR-Continental Melodies
 7:30-WNBC-Everyman's Story, Show
 WJZ-Counter-Spy, Sketch Play
 WOR-Gabriel Heatter
 WQXR-Club 15-Variety
 7:45-WOR-Galen Drake
 WQXR-Edward Murrow
 8:00-WNBC-Cavalade of America
 WOR-Michael Shuman
 WJZ-Carnegie Hall
 WQXR-Mystery Theatre
 WQXR-News: Symphony Hall
 8:30-WNBC-Fannie Brice Show
 WJZ-Men of the Press
 WQXR-Mr. and Mrs. Worth
 WNYC-Music for the Connoisseur
 WOR-Official Detective
 8:45-WNBC-Bob Hope Show
 WOR-Mystery Is My Hobby
 WJZ-Life with Luigi
 WJZ-America's Town Meeting
 9:00-WNBC-Pibber McGee and Molly
 WOR-Mysterious Traveler
 WQXR-Swaps
 WJZ-Erwin Condon, News
 WQXR-Record Baritone
 9:15-WJZ-We Care
 10:00-WNBC-Big Town Sketch
 WOR-Frank Edwards, Comment
 WQXR-Pursuit, Sketch
 WQXR-The Showcase
 10:15-WOR-Newsreel
 10:30-WNBC-People Are Funny
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 WJZ-It's Your Business
 WQXR-Franklin Carlo Orch.

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WASHINGTON, Jan. 23 (UP).—The earth "most probably" has been spinning its dizzy way through space for 3,350,000,000 years.

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That is the conclusion of Dr. Arthur Holmes, geology professor at Edinburgh University and one of the world's foremost authorities on the earth's age. His findings are published in the annual report of the Smithsonian Institution here.

MOVIE GUIDE

- Excellent •• Good
- THE BUCKLE UP. Another fine film by Vittorio De Sica, the maker of *Shoeshine*, *Manhattan*, *World Theatre*.
 - MONKEY BUSINESS; ROSEFEATHERS. A revival of two Marx Brothers' comedies. Manhattan-Gotham.
 - THE LOWER DEPTHS. A revival of the French film version of the Gorky play, with Jean Gabin, Louis Jouvet. Manhattan-Little Cine-Mat.
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 - THE KING'S MEN. Shallow and inconclusive, but Robert Rossen's direction makes this story of a busy long exciting to watch. Manhattan-Victoria.
 - RED MEADOWS. An interesting Danish film about the resistance during the Nazi occupation. Manhattan-Gotham.
 - THREE LITTLE BLANKS. A charming little comedy about a Scotch island that runs out of whiskey. Manhattan-5th St. Theatre.
 - WOMAN TROUBLE. A slight Italian comedy made worthwhile by a superb performance by Anna Magnani. Manhattan-Irving Place.
 - FIDDLER AND THE LADY. A charming Italian comedy which is helped considerably by an outstanding performance by Aldo Fabrizi. Manhattan-Thalia.
 - THE MUSEUM OF MODERN ART FILM LIBRARY. The Flaherty documentary *Toba*.
 - THE TITAN. Fine for beautifully photographed sculpture of Michelangelo. Manhattan-Little Carnegie.
 - THE HASTY HEART. A simple, warm story of a young Scot who learns to accept his fellowmen in the few weeks left to live. Manhattan-The Strand.
 - KAREN. A French film of an orphanage where a criminal hides from the police, with Pierre Fresnay. Manhattan-Park Avenue Theatre.
 - ON THE TOWN. Not as good as the play but its story of three sailors on leave in New York is better than the average musical. Broadway-Metropolitan.
 - SHOE SHINE. The fine Italian film about two Roman orphans. Brooklyn-Ocean.

Skip
 TOKYO JOE. Bogart says Japanese fascists and Communists are in cahoots.
 THE RED DANCE. Overy slender about the Soviet Union's policy in Austria.

Hollywood

Czech Cartoon Films Surpass Hollywood's Looney Disneys

By David Platt

ONCE UPON A TIME Walt Disney stood alone as the supreme master of the animated cartoon film. This is not so any more. Disney has been surpassed in this field by a number of first-rate animated film-makers in Czechoslovakia.

Whereas the cartoons of Disney and his followers in Hollywood have lost much of their technical brilliance and have become more and more destructive and devoid of purpose, the Czech animated films have advanced enormously by combining a high degree of artistic excellence with useful content.

Whereas Hollywood cartoons have not advanced beyond slapstick and are little more than exercises in force and violence, Czech cartoon art aids science and the perfection of man.

The Raven and The Tortoise, a recent cartoon by the Czech artist Jan Fuka, had for its theme the fight for peace. In the style of a fable, it showed how "century after century the labor of man has been destroyed by war." The Raven and The Tortoise—living through the centuries—witness this recurring destruction, and, after almost giving up all hope of ever seeing men live sensibly and peacefully, they watch a new kind of man taking guns and turning them into machines, building not only a new town but a lasting peace.

SOME WILL SAY that this is propaganda not art. Well, if art

is something that evokes horror and nausea rather than thought then the Hollywood cartoon is great art and the Czech animated film is just propaganda.

But how many times have parents complained that the Disneys and the Looney Tunes leave children in a sad state of emotional unrest.

And why is it that the Czech films do not leave children in a perturbed condition?

The answer can be seen at a glance by comparing the synopses of the Czech animated films *Lenora* by Eduard Hofman and *The Lazy Pupil* by Karel Mann, with any recent Hollywood cartoons.

Lenora's central character is an extremely untidy and dirty little girl. She lives in a little cottage surrounded by the most unbelievable disorder. Her pots and pans, her brushes and her furniture, even the house itself eventually get tired of this life, and while she is sleeping they leave *Lenora* and run away over the hill. There they start scrubbing themselves and getting everything in apple-pie order. When *Lenora* comes on the scene, the brushes and soap set about her, and in no time she is a bright, clean girl who will make a worthy little mistress of the shining, spick-and-span cottage.

The theme of *The Lazy Pupil* is taken from a children's song, and tells a story of a negligent little pupil. He is always late for school, he doesn't take care of his books and pens, and—"almost

worse than anything"—is cruel to animals. All his belongings finally leave him, and he is left alone with nothing but a collection of inkblots. By the end of the film he has thoroughly learned his lesson, and, happily, has learned to be kind to animals.

In other words, Czech cartoon art which is an important weapon in the hands of the People's Government acts as a teacher and a guide. The Hollywood animated film just acts crazy—like the "free enterprise" system which spawned it.



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Ted Tinsley Says

DON'T DROP YOUR H'S

AN OUTFIT called the American Education Association publishes the magazine, Crossroads. This association is now running a national contest, with \$30,000 in prizes, for the best endings to a sentence which begins: I AM OPPOSED TO COMMUNISM BECAUSE.

Writers have created a whole school of outhouse literature in their attempts to expand this sentence into a book or play. But this contest offers the best opportunity of all. It doesn't fuss with fancy phrases. It doesn't demand that you complete the sentence a la Koestler, at excessive length and with a layer of cellophane philosophy.

This contest has rules, and the rules are valid for all professional anti-Communists from J. Parnell Thomas to Sidney Hook.

THE MOST IMPORTANT RULE is that you must send three, five, or eight dollars with your contest entry, in return for which you will be eligible for a five, ten or fifteen thousand dollar prize. In the event that you do not win—and your chances of not winning are excellent—you get a subscription to Crossroads anyway.

This important rule demonstrates once more that before any serious anti-Communist crusade, contest, or dinner for lap-dogs takes place, a dollar must be involved in some manner.

The second rule that must be followed is that contestants may not complete the sentence by themselves. They must take words used in a "Guide Editorial." This editorial is the "line" from which no contestant may deviate. This editorial has squeezed the excess verbiage out of Koestler and the rest of that gang, and compressed their thoughts into seven short paragraphs—without omitting anything essential.

LET US NOW ASSUME that you have paid three bucks for the privilege of completing the sentence. Now you must understand that the prize does not go to someone who manages to be logical or convincing. The professionals in this business have long since given up logic or conviction. The prize goes to the person who completes the sentence by using words from the editorial which includes a lot of h's and b's, and very few v's, x's and l's. You see, you have to fill in an allotted number of squares with your words, and each letter of the alphabet has a special value. The value of h's and b's is high—33 and 32, respectively. Obviously, the most effective anti-Communist is the one who uses words with many h's and b's. Only amateur anti-Communists will be caught using words with the letters v, x and l, each of which has a par value under 20.

You also get a 50-point bonus for every word you use within the allotted squares. This business of a bonus for extra words is an old one, as anyone can see from looking over the fat anti-Communist literature in a bookshop.

WITH THIS CONTEST, the anti-Communist campaign has reached its height. It is a truthful, candid contest in which the American "Education" Association advises you not to think for yourself, and insists that you parrot the guide editorial, be wordy and use lots of h's and b's.

How can Marxism survive such fierce opponents!

Around the Dial:

Morgan Starts Daily Series; Blow-by-Blow from Britain

By Bob Lauter

HENRY MORGAN is now readying a new five-a-week program, Here's Morgan, which will have its premiere on Monday, January 30, over WNBC (6:30-6:45 P.M.). Morgan will be assisted by a stack of recordings.

The comedian plans to make use of a number of his established standbys to keep the daily program going—his parodies of French and British radio reporters, his German scientist, and others familiar to those who follow his regular program. In addition, he will offer gagged-up weather forecasts, and whatever other items come into his head.

Whether Morgan's material can stand an airing five days a week remains to be seen, but the odds are against it. On such a sched-

ule it's next to impossible to be anything but contrived after a while, and many of Morgan's programs are contrived even on a weekly basis.

THOSE WHO have heard Morgan's take-offs on a BBC sports announcer, may be interested to know that WNEW is presenting a genuine BBC blow-by-blow broadcast of a fight. This broadcast, on WNEW via short-wave from London, will be heard at 10 p. m. tonight, and will offer a ringside report of the championship light-heavyweight bout between Joey Maxim of the U.S.A., and Freddie Mills of Great Britain.

Raymond Glendenning will do the blow-by-blow reporting, and W. Barrington Dalby will handle the commentary. The fight will come to us from the Earls Court arena.

Today's Films:

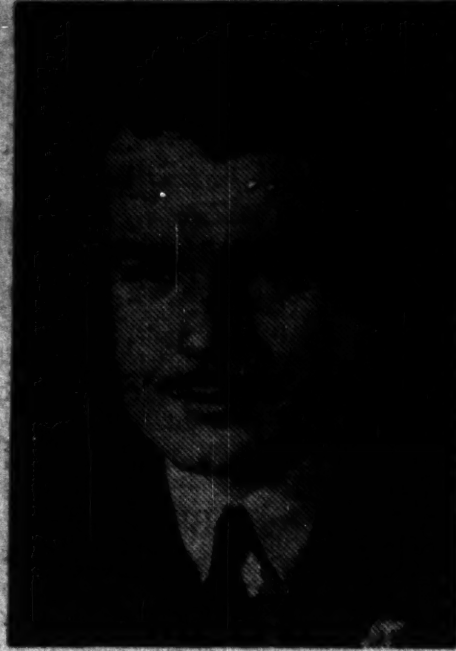
'My Foolish Heart' At the Music Hall

By Jose Yglesias

IN THE RUSH of movies that opened on Broadway last week we got around a little late to the new one at the Music Hall because its title, My Foolish Heart, seemed to promise little. One could see from the ads that it was a "woman's picture" and that meant a sentimental and weepy affair that deserved less attention than others. Now that we have seen it, My Foolish Heart still remains in that category, only it is, in the worst meaning of the word, a very interesting picture and deserves close investigation.

A Samuel Goldwyn production, it has that polished finish that all his pictures have. Directed by Mark Robson, whom Goldwyn hired after he made Champion and Home of the Brave for an independent group, it has a dramatic tone and liveliness not usual in these love stories. From a scenario by Julius and Philip Epstein based on a short story by J. D. Salinger who writes for The New Yorker, it has a wry and witty element usually foreign to a "woman's picture."

Women, it seems to us, are interested in stories of emotional conflicts involving love because it is love that makes the double oppression of their economic dependency bearable or because it is love that hides the ugly facts of their status from them. Any real investigation of a woman's love problems would lead to the economic basis on which it is offered to women, but a "woman's movie" serves always to make love other-worldly and to provide the emotional conflicts of women with a tearful safety valve. Thus, a story like My Foolish Heart which attempts to show what has made a "nice girl" a cynical, disillusioned and cruel wife and mother must deal with elements which make it interesting.



KENT SMITH

ELOISE WINTERS, on a rainy day when an old girl friend who hasn't seen her for seven years comes to visit her at her Connecticut home, is just all these things. Her husband wants to divorce her and take her child from her and in a kind of alcoholic remorse she asks her girl friend, a sweet girl from whom Eloise had stolen her husband, if she hadn't been a "nice girl" once. And the movie takes her back to the day when the two had been room mates at an expensive college.

Eloise had met at a dance a young man who, like her, is a typical, restless offspring of the upper middle class. She is immediately in love with him and in all their moments together the story presents the kind of problems that a girl faces. A male supremacist, wary of love ties, treating her as a child on the one hand, as only a sex object on the other, he is the source of a lot of anguish for her. How far should she go with him if he hasn't said he loves her? And can she risk his losing "respect" for her?

He loves her and finally says so to her without, however, changing his character—a mixture of semi-independence and love which makes her feel always that she mustn't take any sort of lead in the relationship, since it might seem as if she were "pushing" him into marriage. Even when she is pregnant she says nothing to him, for now in the army, he hedges a great deal by asserting that he doesn't know if he will come back from the war. When he finally makes up his mind to marry her, he is killed in an accident. And faced with the proverbial dilemma

of "women's" stories, she traps her girl friend's fellow into marriage to save herself.

MY FOOLISH HEART is, in this fashion, always involved with the elements of what could be a social document exposing the moral problems and emotional sufferings that our society forces on women. Instead, however, it acquires a slick surface, a light tone and a sentimental and unbelievable resolution that uses the realistic elements in it to catch its customer's attention, only to leave them as bewildered as before, purged simply of a few tears. Eloise, after thinking back, "repents" and even offers to give up her daughter, but her girl friend and her husband, who plan to marry, magnanimously give the child up to her.

These two neurotics, mother and child, are supposed to live happily ever after. And the upshot of this movie, with all of its acutely caught details of middle class restlessness, is that a girl should be careful indeed. And if she is careless enough to get pregnant, she shouldn't turn to another man deceitfully because it will only make her unhappy and bitter. Economic dependency is all right, after all, but you must come to it pure and play the game square.

Interestingly enough this "woman's story" has been manufactured from a New Yorker short story by Salinger which was something altogether different. Salinger specializes in witty, mordant stories in which the futile wriggings of this generation of offsprings of the upper middle class are caught in pungent and amoral dialogue. The original story on which the movie is based presented one with a rainy afternoon in which two bitchy young matrons of the Connecticut country set get progressively drunk and reveal the nastiness of their characters and their milieu.

My Foolish Heart gains in interest by its use of typical, revealing Salinger dialogue. "My mother," the hero says, for example, "fainted twice to get me the job." Its Salinger base, its direction by Robson, its clever performances by Susan Hayward, Dana Andrews and Lois Wheeler, show that Samuel Goldwyn, like the British ruling class, can take in new talent and ideas and come out with the same results more attractively mixed. Let us hope it won't be for long.

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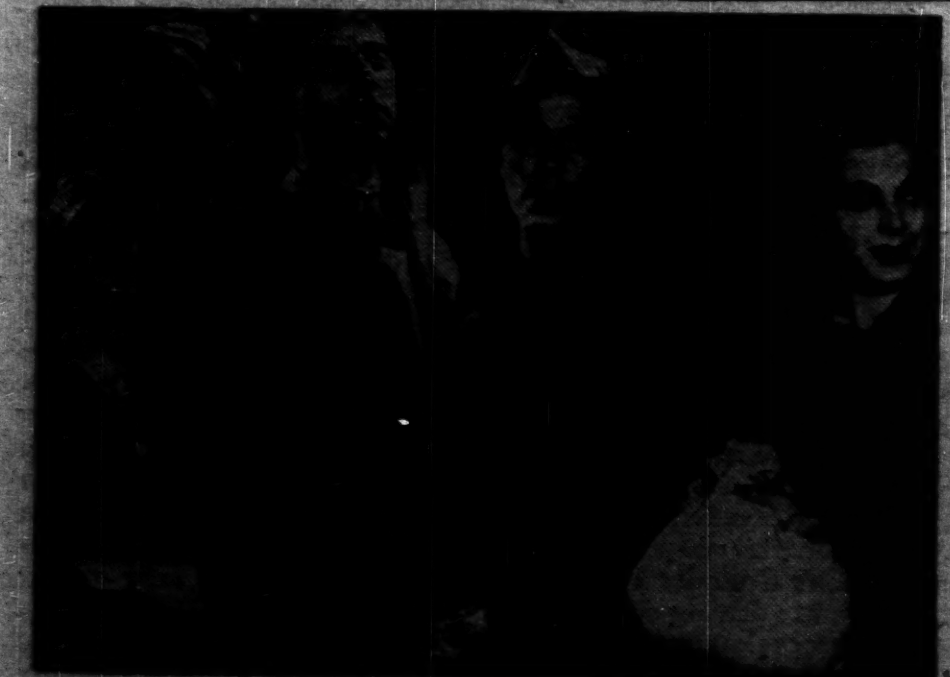
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A SCENE from the French film version of Maxim Gorki's *The Lower Depths*, starring Jean Gabin and Louis Jouvet, which is currently showing at the Little Cino MET, 5th Ave. at 39 St.

Louis Pins Crosby On Jimcrow Tourney

**Friendly Inquiry on Lilywhite Golf Meet
Brings Insulting Reply**

By Lester Rodney

Through a revealing exchange of letters, Bing Crosby stands exposed today by Joe Louis as a hypocrite and a defender of discrimination against Negroes in sports. The retired champ, who is very much interested in golf, wrote a letter to the multi-millionaire crooner pointing out that the annual Bing Crosby Golf Tournament at Pebble Beach, California, somehow never seemed to include qualified golfers who were Negroes. It was a friendly letter saying this fact had possibly escaped Crosby's attention.

Louis cited the fact that the drive against discrimination in all sports, spurred by "the victories gained in professional baseball," had finally broken down the lily whiteness of golf to the extent that two Negro golfers, Ted Rhodes and Bill Spiller, participated in the Los Angeles Open. The Crosby tourney which followed the LA tourney by a week, included players whose scores had been beaten by Rhodes and Spiller, Louis said.

Pinning down the fact that the discrimination could only stem from those who do the inviting, Louis went on to write, "It has been conclusively established that the fault lies not with the other golfers. It is pretty hard to conceive that they should play happily together in one tourney such as the LA Open and a few days later be shied of all sportsmanship."

THE ANSWER CAME. Crosby didn't even bother answering Joe Louis personally. The letter was signed by the manager of the Crosby tournament! It said, in part:

"Basically the tourney is a gathering of 84 of his personal friends among the thousands of amateur golfers he knows, and 84 professionals selected by the national PGA and approved by him. . . . It is like giving a dinner party at his home, and the table can just accommodate so many."

Joe Louis did not reply. He simply made this insulting letter public to a Negro newspaper. It tells its own story very eloquently. A story of studied, snobbish Jimcrow discrimination by the crooner-business man who is now worth millions, who is a big California real estate owner, who as vice president of the Pittsburgh Pirates is clearly at home with one of the ten major league outfits which still refuses to give qualified Negro baseball players a chance.

Imagine the gall of this reply. A big public sporting event supported by the public and including one hundred sixty-eight of the country's top golfers is just "a gathering of his personal friends," just "a dinner party at his home."

It's hard to say whether Bing Crosby thinks he's kidding anyone with this stuff. Certainly, to American sports fans (and people who buy records) he will now be fittingly labeled. And those who don't know yet should certainly be informed.

NO MORE PRO GRID FORFEITS

PHILADELPHIA, Jan. 23 (UP). The National American Football League changed six rules and retained four other controversial points in the rule book today and then turned to the knotty problem of splitting its 13-member teams into two divisions.

Outstanding in the rules changes

Says Joe Page:

"Naturally I'll be expecting a decent raise when I see Mr. Weiss about my salary," said Joe Page yesterday. "I've read so many conflicting reports about how much I'm going to ask for that I almost got confused."

Page, whose amazing relief exploits in more than one third of all the Yankee games is credited by all baseball men as having been indispensable to the flag, got between \$18,000 and \$20,000 last season. He'll want at least a 10 G hike.

COURT NOTES

Knicks were at their absolute season's peak in Sunday night's 81-71 win over Rochester. Dick McGuire now gaining confidence, his extraordinary passwork starting to blend. He, Vanderweghe, Gallatin, Braun, Boryla shaking down into Lapchick's top five, clearly. . . . Opener between Sheboygan and Baltimore could be labelled "why pro basketball is not the success it could be." The ruinous scheduling had both teams dead on feet.

Canisius is suddenly emerging tourney threat. Lost only three, have now beaten St. Louis, Notre Dame, Niagara and Georgetown in row the last and impressive rout. Face St. Johns and CCNY in February, as does Niagara, another tourney potential. . . . La Salle, another power, blasted St. Joes in Philly by 21 points, may have choice of tourneys. Unfortunately, Garden game is vs. Manhattan. Villanova another unsung coming strong. Lost two. Powered Muhlenberg by 25. However, this would be different score at Allentown.

San Francisco coming to life, ran away with Stanford and St. Marys on successive nights. May be back after all. Most good teams have lost three or more (Kentucky, Bradley, Kansas State, North Carolina State, Ohio State, Oklahoma

Moran, Todd Win

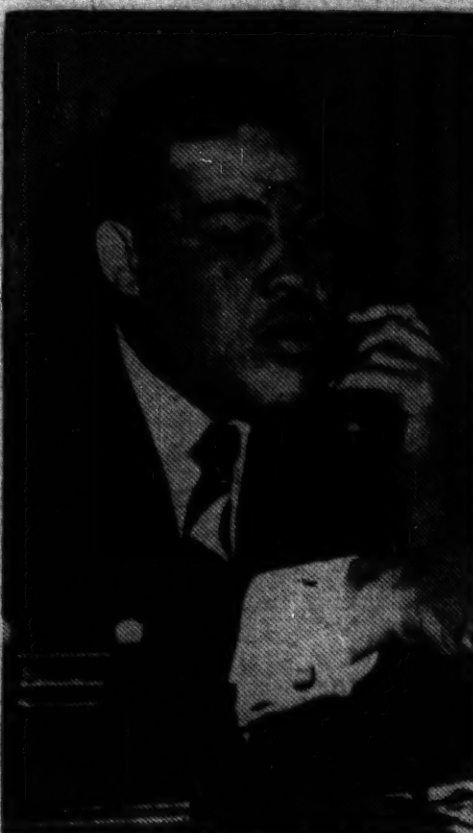
MADRAS, India, Jan. 23 (UP). —Gertrude (Gussie) Moran of Santa Monica, Calif., and Mrs. Patricia Canning Todd of La Jolla, Calif., won the women's doubles title in the All-India Hardcourt

15 Footer 'Just Felt Right'

CHAMPAIGN, Ill., Jan. 23 (UP). —The second man in history ever to pole vault over 15 feet explained it very simply today. "I just felt right," said Don Laz.

was one which bans any forfeiture of games by the officials on the field — a change aimed at gamblers or other elements who might try to break up a contest.

The change provides that the home team be protected against forfeiture if unruly spectators or any unauthorized persons get on the playing field and interfere with the progress of the game.



LOUIS
Asks a Question



CROSBY
Going Whose Way?



SPILLER
No "Room at Table"

on the scoreboard by lester rodney

Reader Goes Into Dempsey-Wills Argument

HERE'S AN INFORMATIVE, well balanced discussion of the sizzling Jack Dempsey-Harry Wills question which Dempsey himself re-opened in a recent issue of Ebony in which he blamed it all on Tex Rickard.

"Sports Editors, Daily Worker,
Why didn't Dempsey ever fight Harry Wills? The main reason was Tex Rickard's refusal to make the match. And Rickard spoke not only for himself, but was carrying out the wishes of the big money guys who stood behind his promotions. In short, it cannot be separated from monopoly's chauvinistic, reactionary politics which was riding high, wide and handsome at the time. There have been some changes in sports since then.

Dempsey, of course, never went out of his way to insist that Wills be given his rightful chance at the title. And there is no evidence that (at that time at least) Jack was concerned at all with the raw deal Negro athletes faced. The least he should have done was insist that Wills be given a crack at the title. I don't think Dempsey OPPOSED fighting Wills, I think he would have been willing to fight him if the match had been made. There is no evidence that Dempsey had any further interest in the matter. Considering the tremendous advances that have been made in the fight against Jimcrow in sports the LEAST Dempsey could have said today is to admit that HE should have insisted on a title defense against Wills. This regardless of whether or not "the powers that be" would have permitted such a match.

Re John Anderson's letter in Bill Mardo's column in the week's Worker. This letter is shot full of chauvinism and white supremacy. Anderson actually tries to make out that the villains in this whole business were NOT Rickard, the big money guys behind Rickard and the whole rotten monopoly Jimcrow setup—but Wills ("a little better than average boxer") and his manager ("vociferous—publicity conscious"). His characterization of Wills' ability is not in keeping with the facts. And regardless of Wills' ability the fact remains that for a large part of Dempsey's seven-year reign Harry Wills was the outstanding challenger and was never permitted a crack at the title. There was no comparison for instance between Wills and Firpo or Wills and Carpentier. Harry was a far superior ringman. As a matter of fact he made a monkey out of Firpo who ACTUALLY knocked Dempsey out.

Turn to the sports pages following the Sharkey-Wills fight. I still remember the screaming headlines of "Sharkey Explodes Wills Myth." The stories of the fight in most newspapers breathed with open relief that Wills was at last eliminated. And some even went so far as to suggest that Dempsey should have fought Wills since the Sharkey fight proved there was no danger that a Negro would have taken the title. None of them mentioned the obvious fact that Wills, fistically speaking, was an old man and all washed up when he fought Sharkey, and far past his prime.

As far as Willis' manager is concerned. Far be it from me to defend any boxing manager. For the most part, with few exceptions, they are a sorry lot of exploiting racketeers. And I don't even remember the name of Willis' manager. But to make a big point of him being "vociferous" and "publicity conscious" is a lot of hogwash. What fight manager isn't? Anderson's emphasis on this point only further serves to defend the Jimcrow setup that prevented Harry Wills, the outstanding challenger, from getting his rightful crack at the title. This is the whole point of his letter: it was O.K. that Wills was never allowed to fight for the title. After all he was only "a little better than average boxer" managed by "a vociferous, publicity conscious manager."

I believe that Mardo should self-critically examine the fact that he printed Anderson's letter with no comment. (Even though it was at the very end of a long column.) The Daily cannot publish such letters without exposing the reactionary content of them.

Needless to state I could not even think of writing such a letter to any other paper. I think the sports page of the Daily and The Worker are among its outstanding features. Its fight against Jimcrow in sports has been unparalleled, and Mardo and Rodney deserve a world of credit for the consistently good job they've been doing over the course of several years.

Comradely,

CHARLES NUSSER,

Hudson County Organizer, Communist Party.

Short Shots Off the Scoreboard

NOTE ON SOURCES of revenue for the UBC (Unamerican Bowling Congress): There are approximately 300,000 teams, each of which pays a nominal-sounding "registration" fee for the year. So there's about \$900,000 a year right off the bat to support the bunch which fights to keep this fine sport for "male whites only." And that's only part of the story. . . . Remember old Lew Jenkins, the skinny lightweight with the surprising punch and little else? I recall he was fading fast back in '42 when he was beaten 11 times and won only once. Here it is eight years later, and here is a release from the International Boxing Club: ". . . his brilliant comeback campaign reaches an important state in the St. Nicholas Arena on Wednesday. . . . It seems there are a few bucks left in the guy. . . . To "Reader," who sent a postcard from Brooklyn. Have to answer you this way because you gave no address. Think your point about Gonzales completely baseless. Not even sure exactly what you are driving at. Can you elucidate?

BRANCH RICKEY was in typical form the other night when he made a big speech about "tolerance" and then came out against the Fair Employment Practice Commission. He said he would be willing to run for Congress in a Negro neighborhood on an anti-FEPC program. That I'd really like to see!